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HENRICI OCTAVI.

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VIII. BY THE GRACE
OF GOD KYNG OF ENGLAND
AND OF FRAYNCE, DEFENDER

of the fayth, Lord of Irelande, and in earth supreme hed
immediarely vnder Christ of the church of England to
the honour of almighty God, conseruacion of the true
doctrine of Christes religion, and for the concord quiet
and vvelth of this his realme and subiectes of the same,
helde his moste high court of Parliament, begunne at

VVestm̄ the .xxviii. day of Aprill, and there

continued till the .xxviii. day of Iune,

the .xxx. yere of his most noble

and victorious reigne, vvher-

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these actes folo-

vvings.



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common. Capitulo primo.**



For as muche as by the common lawes of this realme dy-
uers of the kynges subiectes, beyng seised of maners lan-
des tenementes and hereditamentes, as ioynt tenants,
or as tenants in common, with other of any estate of inhe-
ritance, in their owne rightes, or in the righte of their wy-
ues, by purchase descent or other wyse, and euery of them so
beyng ioynt tenants, or tenants in common, haue like ryght title in-
terest and possession in the same maners landes tenementes and heredita-
mentes for their partes or porcions iointly or in common vndeuidedly tog-
ther with other, and none of them by the lawe doeth or make knowe their se-
uerall partes or porcions in the same, or that that is his or theirs by it selfe
vndeuided: and can not by the lawes of this realme other wyse occupie or
take the profits of the same, or make any seuerance deuision or partition
therof, without other of their mutuall assentes & consentes: by reason wher-
of diuers and many of them, beyng so iointly and vndeuidedly seised of
the said maners landes tenementes and hereditamentes, oft tymes of their
peruers couetous and malicious myndes and willes, against all right, iu-
stice equitee, and good conscience, by strength & power, haue not only cutte
and fallen downe all the woodes and trees growing vpon the same, but al-
so haue extirped subuerted pulled downe, and destroyed al the houses edifi-
cions, and buildynges, medowes pastures, commens, and the holle com-
modities of the same, and haue taken and conuerted the to their owne vles
and behofes, to the open wzonge and disherison, and against the myndes &
willes of other, holding the same maners landes tenementes and heredita-
mentes iointly or in comon with them, and they haue bene alwayes with-
out assured remedy for the same. Be it therfore enacted by the kyng oure
most dread soueraine lord, and by thassent of his lordes spirituall and tem-
porall, and by the commons in this ptesent parliament assembled, that all
ioynt tenants, and tenants in common that now be, or hereafter shal
be of any estates or estates of inheritance in their owne rightes, or in the
right of their wyues of any maners landes tenementes or hereditamentes
within this realme of Englande, wales, or the marches of the same, shal &
maie be coerced and compelled, by vertue of this ptesent acte, to make par-
ticion betwene them of all suche maners landes tenementes and heredita-
mentes as they now holde, or hereafter shal holde as ioynt tenants or te-
nantes in comen, by writ De participacione facienda, in that case to be deuy-
sed in the kyng oure soueraygne lordes court of Chauncery, in like maner &
forme as coparceners by the common lawes of this realme haue bene & are
compelled to do, and the same writ to be pursued at the common lawe.

Provided alwaie and be it enacted, that euery of the said ioynt tenan-
tes or tenants in common, and they helres, after suche particion made,

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shall and may haue ayde of the other, or of their heires, to thintent to de-
reigne the warrantie paramount, and to recouer for the rate, as is bled be-
twene coperceners after particion made by the order of the common lawe,
any thyng in this acte conteyned to the contrary notwithstanding.

An acte that fylling in any seuerall ponde stewe or mote
with an intent to steale fysh out of the same
is felony. Cap. ii.



HERE AS DYVERS and many of the lordes knygh-
tes esquiers gentylmen & other the kynges subiectos with-
in this his realme, at their great costes and charges haue
caused to be made within their seuerall groundes many po-
des stewes and motes, and stowed them with diuerse kyn-
des of fyshes, as pykes breames carpes tenches and other
fishes wherof they haue thought to haue had great comoditie, as well for
the plesure of theyr frendes, as for their owne commoditee and profite to-
wardes the necessary fyndyng of theyr houses, by diuerse and many leghte
and vnrasonable persons of this realme, beyng of no good rule nor hone-
stie, littell or nothyng regardyng god, the feare of theyr soueraygne lord
the kynges highnesse, nor his lawes, haue not only fished the saied ponde
stewes and motes as well by nyght as by daye, with nettes hookes and
baites of diuers sortes, but also with great nombre of misruled persones,
haue entered into such groundes, and there, with great violence haue bro-
ken vp the heades of the saied ponde stewes and motes, and destroyed &
taken the fysh of the same ponde stewes and motes, to the great displea-
sures and losses of the owners of the saied ponde stewes and motes, and
contrary to all good reason ryght and conscience. wherfore be it enacted
by the kyng our saied soueraygne lord, with thassent of the lordes spiri-
tuall and tempozall, and the commons in this present parliament assem-
bled, and by the auctoritee of the same, that as well all maner of fysshyn-
ges with any nettes hokes or baytes, of what kynde so euer they be, in any
seuerall ponde stewe or mote, with an intent to steale fysh out of the same,
done or committed at any tyme after the feast of the Natyuitee of sayncte
John Baptiste nexte commynge, that is to saie, in the .xxxi. yere of the
regne of our saied soueraygne lord, frome the houre of syxe in the euen-
tyde, vnto the houre of syxe in the moynyng, agaynst the willes and myn-
des of the owners or possessyoners of suche ponde stewes or motes,
as also the vnlawfull breakyng vp of the head of any seuerall ponde stewe
or mote, by daye or by night, after the saied feast, without colour of tyle
so to do, wherby any fysh of the same ponde stewe or mote, is taken or de-
stroyed, agens the wyll or mynde of the owner or possessor of the same,
be to al intentes demed taken and adyudged felony: and that those persons
so offendynge, shall haue and suffer all suche pepnes of deathe, and punish-
mentes,

mentes, as other felons ought to haue and suffre for felony by the course of the lawes of this realme.

And also be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that yf any suche euill dysposed persons, after the tyme before limited, doo fishe in the daye tyme, at any other tyme then is before reherced, in anye suche seuerall podes, stewes, or motes, with any maner of nettes hokes or baytes, as is afoze sayd, what kynde so euer they be of, against the will pleasure & mind of the owners or possessors of the same seueral podes stewes or motes, not hauing any maner of colour of title so to do, and therof be lausfully conuicted at the suite of our soueraygne lord the king, or the party greued: that then the sayd parties so conuicted, shall suffre imprisonment by the space of thre monethes, and after the sayd thre monethes expired, shall fynde sufficient suretie for his or their good aberyng, or els to remayn still in prison without bayle or maynprie, vnto such tyme he or they can fynd such suretie.

An acte chaungyng the custom of Gauekynnd. Capit.iii.



And the kyng our soueraygne lord, for dyuers considerations his maiestie mouinge, by auctorite of this his hygh courte of parliament, enacteth ordeineth and establissheth, that as well al the lordshippes, maners, landes, tenementes, woodes, pastures, rentes, seruices, reuertions, remaindres, aduousons and al other what so euer hereditamentes set lying and being within his county of Kent, of the whiche Thomas Crumwell knyght of the honorable order of the Garter lord Crumwel of Wyimbildes lord priuy seale, Thomas Burgh knyght lord Burgh, George broke knyght lord Cobham, Andjels wyndesore knyght, lord wyndesore, Thomas Cheine knyght tresourer of our said soueraigne lord the kinges most honorable houlholde, Chysofer Hales knyght maister of the Rolles of our sayd soueraigne lordes court of Chancerie, Thomas Willoughby knyght one of the iuges of the kinges court of the comon place, Anthony Seintleger knyght Edward wotton knyght, Edward Boueton knyght, Roger Cholmeley knyght seriaunt at lawe, John Champneys knyght, John Baker squyer our sayd soueraygne lord the kynges generall atturney, Reinold Scotte squier, John Gylforde squier, Thomas Kempe squier, Edward Thwaitis squier, Wyllyam Roper squier, Anthony Sandis squier, Edward Isaac squier, Perciuall Harte squier, Edward Monyns squier, Wyllyam Whetnall squier, John Fogge squier, Edmonde fetyplace squier, Thomas Hardres squier, William Waller squier, Thomas Wyfords squier, Thomas Hoile squier, Thomas Harlakinde squier, Gestrepe Lee squier, James Hales, Henry Hulse, and Thomas Ropdon gentylmen, or any of them is or be seyled to his or their owne vse or bles, in fee simple or in fee taylor, the whiche now bene of the tenure and nature of Gauekynnd & here tofore haue bene departed, or be departyble betwene heires males, by the

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custome of Gauekynde, shall from hensforth be clerely changed from the
 said custome tenure and nature of Gauekynnd, and in no wise hereafter be
 departed or departible by the sayd custome of Gauekynnd, betwene heires
 males, but shall remayne reuert abyde descende com and be after and ac-
 cording as lordships maners landes tenementes and other hereditametes
 do or may descende remayne reuert abyde come or be, according to the com-
 mon lawe of this realme, and as other maners landes & tenementes being
 in the said county of Kent, which neuer were holde by seruiue of socage, but
 be & alwayes haue ben holden by knight seruiue, do discende remayn reuert
 abide come and be: And in lyke maner to discende, and be discendable, re-
 mayne reuerte come and be inheritable to the heire or heires, after and ac-
 cording to the said common lawes of this realme of Englande. And that
 all and syngular the sayd lordshippes, maners, landes, tenementes, and
 other hereditamentes with thappurtenances of the said lord Crumwell,
 lord Burgh, lord Cobham, lord Wyndesore, Thomas Cheine, Christo-
 fer Hales, Thomas Willoughby, Anthony Seintleger, Edward Wotton,
 Edward Boueton, Roger Cholmeley, John Champneis, John Baker,
 Reynolde Scotte, John Guldfozde, Thomas Kempe, Edward Chwait-
 tis, William Roper, Anthony Sandis, Edward Isaac, Perciuall Hart,
 Edward Monyns, Wyllyam Whetnall, John Fogge, Edmonde fety-
 place, Thomas Herdres, William Waller, Thomas Wylfozde, Thomas
 Hoyle, Thomas Harlakinden squier, Gestepe Lee, James Hales, Henry
 Hulse, and Thomas Ropdon, or of any of them, and which befoze the ma-
 king of this acte haue ben of the sayd nature and tenure of Gauekynnd
 in the sayde county of Kent, shall from hensforth be accepted taken inheri-
 ted demed and iudged to be, lyke as lordships maners landes tenementes
 and other hereditamentes at the common lawe of this realme, and in suche
 maner and forme as if the same maners lordships landes tenementes and
 other hereditamentes had neuer ben of the said nature of Gauekynnd, any
 vsage or custome in the sayd county of Kent hertofore had accepted or bled
 to the contrary not withstanding. Sauing alwayes and reseruyng to all &
 singulare persons, other than the said lord Crumwel, lord Burgh, lord Cob-
 ham, lord Wyndesore, Thomas Cheyne, Christopher Hales, Thomas Wil-
 loughby, Antony Seintleger, Edward Wotton, Edward Boueton, Roger
 Cholmeley, John Champneis, John Baker, Reinold Scot, John Guld-
 ford, Thomas Kempe, Edward Chwaites, William Roper, Anthony Sandis,
 Edward Isaac, Perciuall Hart, Edward Monyns, William Whetnal, John
 Fogge, Edmond fettyplace, Thomas Herdres, William Waller, Thomas
 Wilford, Thomas Hoyle, Thomas Harlakinde squier, Gestepe Lee, Ja-
 mes Hales, Henry Hulse, & Thomas Ropdon, or any of them, & to euery of
 the apent any other of them al such right tyle interest & inheritance as they
 or any of them had befoze the making of this act, of to or in any of & said ma-
 ners lādis tenites woodes pastures rétes seruices reuertions remainders ad-
 uousons & other & pmisses, as if this present act had neuer ben had nor made.
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An acte concerninge the amendinge of the riuer and port
of Exeter. Cap. iiii.



A most humble wise shewen vnto your highnes your true and faithful subiectes, the maiore bayliffes & comonalties of your cite of Exeter, that where of olde antiquitie as wel the citezens and dwellers within your sayd city as all other bothe demersens and strangers, applieng and coming from any partes of beyond the see, or of this realme, to your porte of Exeter, haue had course and recourse with theyr shippes botes & vessels goodes and marchandise in the riuer of Exe, to and from the high sea, vnto your sayd city, to the great comoditie comon welth & profite of your sayd city, and all the countrey therabout, as by dyuers recordes and writynges remainyng as well in your said cite, as also at westm. plainly doth appere: whiche comoditie of longe tyme hath ben so distroyed and letted by weyes & dyuynages of sandes and grauel, by course of the water, in to the said riuer, and other lettes and noisances, that at this day, and of long time past, shippes botes and vessels haue not had ne yet can haue their course to and from your said cite, as of old time they haue had, by reason wherof your said suppliantes of longe time haue ben and yet be compelled and enforced to carie their goodes and marchandises from the ships botes and vessels to your said cite by lande, to their yerely charges of. CCCC. markes sterlinges and aboute, beside great hurtes and losses taken in their said goodes & marchandises by the cariers of the same, which hath not onely ben and yet daily is to the great hurt decay and enpovertishing of the marchantes of your said cite, but also of the countrey theraboutes by reason of the ouerflowyng & downyng of the meowes pastures and grounde lieng by the said riuer, with the high springes of the sea & the fluddes of the freshe water coming to the said riuer, & by reason of which charges susteyned in carieng their goodes & marchandises by land vnto the said cite, as is beforesaid, the marchantes and owners of the said wares and marchandises, are dyuen to sell the same muche moze deere than they wold do, if the said marchandises might be conueied and brought vnto the said cite by water, to the great hurte and prejudice of all your graces subiectes in the said parties. For reformation wherof, it maie please your highnes, of your most noble and abundant grace, with thassent of your lordes spiritual & tempozal, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, & by auctoritie of the same, to enacte ordeine and establishe, that it may and shalbe lawfull at al times after the feast of Easter nowe nexte comming, to your said suppliantes maiore bayliffes and cominaltee of your said cite of Exeter, and their successours, to plucke downe dig moine breake banke & cast vp al and al maner of weires rockes sandes grauel and other lettes & noisances, what so euer they be in the said riuer, and also in other places & groundes conuenient and necessary for the same, whole so euer they be, lieng betwene your said cite & the high sea, and further to do and make al other thinges requisite and necessary, wherby the said ships botes & vessels may haue

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haue their sure course and recourse in the sayde cytye, to and frome your
sayed cytie, and there to charge and discharge the sayde goodes and mar-
chandises without lette or disturbance of any persone or persons, gnyng
and payng therfore vnto the lord or lordes owner and owners of the soile,
where suche diggynge and minyng shall be, in recompence and satisfaction
of and for the lande and ground so to be digged and mined, after the rate of
xx. pence purchase, or els as much for the same, as shalbe adiudged or deined
and determyned by the kynges iustices of assise in the countie of Deuon for
the tyme being, the election and liberty of which recompence and satisfacti-
on so to be had, to be at the choise of the lordes and owners of the said lan-
des and tenementes, without any let denier vexation or trouble of the said
lord or lordis owner or owners, or any other persone or persons, by sute in the
lawe or otherwise, vpon peine of forfayture of .xx. li. of lefull money of En-
gland, for euery time that they or any of them do attempt the contrary ther-
of, wherof the one halfe shalbe to our said soueraygne lord, & the other half
to him or them, that wil sue therfore by action of det byl plaint or informa-
tion in any the kinges courtes, wherin the partie defendant shal not wage
his laue, nor in the said action actions or suites any esoyrn licence nor pro-
tection shalbe allowed. And also gnyng and payng to the tenantes ser-
mers and occupiers of such lande or grounde for suche hurte and losses, as
they or any of them, shall susteine and haue by the same, as much as shalbe
assessed adiudged and determined by the said iustices of assises in the said
countie of Deuon for the tyme being, or by such persons as by them shalbe
assigned and deputed for the same. The said recompence and satisfaction
as well concerning the lordes and owners of the said land and ground, as
to the tenantes sermers and occupiers of the same, to be paid by the maire
bayliffes and communalte of the said citee for the tyme being, and their suc-
cessours within the space of lxx. weekes nexte after the ratyng assessing and
determinyng of the same, onlesse that the maire bayliffes and communalter
of the said citee, & their successours, can otherwise compound or agree with
the lordis owners tenantes sermers and occupiers of such land and ground
or with any of them. And in case it happen the mayre bayliffes and commu-
naltie of the said citee to make defaute of payment of the said recompence &
satisfaction, and resist to paie the same, as is before reherfed, that than the
lord, lordes, owner, owners, tenantes, sermers, or occupiers of such land or
ground, that is greued therwith, and to whom the satisfaction and recom-
pence ought to be paid, shall and maie lawfully commence afferme or take
his or their action of det by the course of the comon lawe, against the maire
bayliffes, & commonaltie of the said citee for the tyme being, & their succes-
sours for the recouerye of the same in any countie within this realme, at the
wyl & pleasure of the partie greued, and lyke proces therupon to be had,
as in actions of det at the comon lawe, grounded vpon contract or special-
ties, hath vsed to be had, in the whiche actions of dette suite or suites to be
had, no wager of law, esoyrn, licence, nor protection shalbe allowed.

An act wherby the kynges manour of Hampton court is made an honour and a newe chafe thereto belongyng. Cap. v.



As much as it hath pleased the kyng our most excellent & most dread souerayne lord of late to erecte builde and make a goodly sumptuous beautiful and princely manour, decent & cōuentent for a king, and the same hath ornated with parkes gardens orchardes & other thinges of greet cōmodite and plesure therunto adioynnyng, mete and partment to his royall maiestie, most requisite for the prosperous continuance of his most royall person, whiche the subiectes of this his realme most entirely aboute all worldly thinges chiefly desyre of al mightie god: his grace isuyng the aduancement & amplification of his reasonable and princely cōmodities to be nie vnto his said manour, heretofore of late hath assigned & limited a certeyne terrytoiry or grounde for a chafe therof to be made, for nourishyng generacion and feedyng of beastes of venery, and of foules of wares: and for furniture and perfection therof, the kinges maiestie by indenture made betwene his grace on the one part, and sir Richard Page knight, Thomas Hennage esquier, John Carleton, John Agmondesham, Thomas a Downe gentlemen, Robert Allectour, Robert Hamond, & diuers other honest and substantial men, named in the said indenture, for & in the name of all free seruantcs, hauyng any estate of inheritance, and in the name of all customary tenants, hauyng any estate of inheritance by custome, of or in any landes or tenementes, within the precinctes of the sayd terrytoiry or ground, limited and assigned for the said chafe and wares, hath certaynly & plainly declared the precinctes, limites, ambites & boundes of the same Terytoirie or ground, & his graces liberties priuileges & cōmodities to be had in & vpo the same: the tenor of which said indenture hercafter plainely and fully ensueth, that is to saie: THIS INDENTURE made the fyrst day of October, in the. xxix. yere of the reigne of our most excellent & most dread souerain lord HENRY the eight, by the grace of god king of England and of France defender of the faith, lord of Ireland, and in erth supreme head of the church of England, betwene the same our souerayn lord the king of thone partie, and sye Richard Page knight, Thomas Hennage esquier, John Carleton, John Agmondesham, Thomas a Downe gentlemen, Robert Allectour, Robert Hamonde, Thomas Stakforde, Richard Wophar, John a Gate thelder, John a Gate the yonger wopllis Stakforde, John Boughton, Richard Biers, Germayn Bandal, John wolfe, William Floiter, Richard Hunt, John Cony, Robert Parker, willia Cice, Richard wheteley, Robert Rostrige, John Bachin, John Bars, Richard wodclerk the yonger, John Clere, John Grenette, Richard Heyward, Chas Rofer, poustret, Richard wolf, John Bulworth, Thomas Druet, Thomas Hoxtingham, John Rostrige, willia west, John Hardwin, Richard Newmans John Hamode the yonger, John Blake, John Daly, George Chew, Clement Jarrett, John Hamond thelder, Ambrose Grenette, walter Caluerley
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Richard Ale, Lionel Browne, Robert Hall, Thomas Warthe, Thomas Skete, John Beriman, John London, John Woodhous, John Grene, & John wolfe, for and in the name of all the free tenauntes, haupnge any estate of inheritaunce, and in the name of all customary tenauntes, haupng any estate of inheritaunce by custome of and in any landes or tenementes within the lordships maners townes and villages of Estmulsey, westmulsey, walton, Esher, weybridge, and part of Cobham, and other parishes, villages, and hamlettis, what so euer they be within the limits of the chase that is named to be called Hampton court chase, of the other part, witnesseth, that where our sayd souerayne lord the kyng hath of late erected builded and made within the county of Middelsex, a goodly sumptuous hous, beautifull and princely manour, mete and conuenient for akyng, and the same endewd with parkes, orchardes gardeines, and other great commodities and plesures therunto adioynnyng and belongyng, and his grace intending the prosperous continuance and preseruacion as well of his most royal person, as for the fournyshynge of the manour with manifold thynges of pleasure, for the dispozte, pastyme, comfozte, and consolacion of his hyghnesse, his heires and successours, his graces pleasure is to erecte and make a chase about the said manour, for the increase of venery and foule of warren, whiche Chase shall be called Hampton court chase: and that the sayd lordshippes, maners, townes, and villages of Estmulsey, westmulsey, walton, Esher, weybridge, and part of the towne or village of Cobham, in the county of Surte, & all landes, tenementes, medowes, lesues, woodes, and pastures lienge and beyng within the limittes metes and boundes hereafter declared, shall be had reputed, and taken within the sayd Chase, and to be parcel therof to all intentes and purposes, which metes and boundes are limited apointed and do extend as foloweth, That is to wyt, at & from the Chennys syde, on the southe syde of the maner of Hampton court directly as the pale shall be newly erected made and set to Cobham, and so forth, as the pale shall leade and be sette about Cobham parke pale, of Wyette parke, and from thens folowynge the same pale to the water of weite, and so fourth by the south syde, of the riuer of weite, and the ryuer of Chamis, vnto the first commencement and begynnynge of the saied pale. wherfore it is condescended granted concluded and fully agreed betwene the said parties to these indentures by these presentes. And our saied soueraigne lord the king in accomplisshement of his graces plesure, by these presentes doth ordeyne make erecte publish and declare the sayd Chase. And that the said lordshippes manours townes and villages of Estmulsey westmulsey walton Esher weybridge, and parte of Cobham, and all landes tenementes, medowes, woodes, lesues, and pastures, lieng and beyng within the limittes metes and boundes afore named, shall be from hensforth free chase and warren for all maner beastes of venery and foule of warren, and shall haue all suche and like liberties iurisdiccions and preeminences as any ancient chase or forest within this realme hath or of right ought to haue: and euery person

person and persons, that shall fortune hereafter to trespass or offend within the sayd newe chace, shall incurre and runne into lyke daunger penalties, losse, and forfaiture, as if the same offence had been done or committed in any other chace or forest within this realme of Englande: And that the sayd newe chace be from henceforth named and called Hampton court chace: And it is further condiscended graunted and agreed betweene the sayde parties by these presentes, and our sayde soueraigne lord the kynge for hym, his heires, and successours, promisseth, granteth, and agreeth to and with the said s^r Richard P^{er}age, Thomas Hennage, John Carleton, John Agmondesham, Thomas a Downe, and all other the sayed tenants and freeholders, theyr heires and assignes, that it shall bee lawfull to the same s^r Richard P^{er}age, Thomas Hennage, John Agmondesham, John Carleton, Thomas a Downe, and other the tenants above named, and to all other persons, beyng freeholders within the sayed Chace, and to every of them, their heires and assignes, to selle cut downe and carrie awaye at all tyme and tymes hereafter at his or theyr pleasure, all and parcell of his or theyr woodes, groues, coppies, and springes, growyng and beyng within the said chace, without lycence of the kynges highnes, his heires or successours, or of any offycer within the said chace, and without let and interruption of the same officers, or any of them. And also that it shalbe lawfull to the said s^r Richard P^{er}age, Thomas Hennage, John Carleton, John Agmondesham, Thomas a Downe, and other the tenants above named, and all other persons, as well freeholders as copie holders as customarpe tenants within the limittes of the sayd chace, and to every of theym, their heires and assignes, at all tyme and tymes hereafter, to make the hedges and fences aboute their cozne, growyng vppon their owne grounde within the said chace, at their owne wyllle and pleasure, to kepe out the dere therof, duryng all suche tyme onely, as the cozne shall growe vppon the same grounde. And that the officers of the said chace duryng the same tyme, shall suffre the same hedges and fences to stande and to remayne, to the intent abovesayd. And after every suche tyme as the cozne shalbe serued and caried awaye, it shall be lawfull to the officers of the said chace, to make dere leapes and bryakes in the sayed hedges and fences, for and to the intent that the dere maie haue course and recours into the grounde, where the cozne was sowen, for theyr feedyng, duryng all suche tyme as the same landes shall bee and remayne vnsowen. And in consideration thereof, our sayed soueraigne lord the kynge, for hym, his heires and successours, is pleased and contented, that his and theyr officers of the reuenues within the limittes of the same chace, shall petylly for euer at every payement, defalke, allowe, and deducte the thyrde parte of the free rente, that every freeholder oughte to paye for their severall freeholders, within the limittes of the same Chace. And also the kynges hyghnesse is pleased and contented, that where any customarpe tenant, or tenants hauyng any estates of inheritance in any customarpe

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mary landes oꝝ tenementes within the saied chace, after the custome of any maner there, wherof the same customarie landes oꝝ tenementes beyng holden, foꝝ the whiche customarie landes oꝝ tenementes, the nexte heire of euerye suche customarie tenaunt, after the deathe of his auncestour, by and accordyng to the same custome oughte to paie fyne, in euerye suche case the kynges officers of the reuenues within the saied chace, shall defalke, deducte, and allow to the nexte heire of euerye such tenaunt, dyeng seysed of any customary landes oꝝ tenementes within the lymittes of the saied chace, the moꝛtie oꝝ halfe of euerye suche fyne, that he by the said custome ought to paie foꝝ his landes there: the same fyne to be rated and assessed after the rate of the fyne that the same tenaunt so dyenge seysed, laste paid to the loꝛde therof, foꝝ the same landes oꝝ tenementes, & not otherwys. And that the moꝛtie of euerye suche fyne be conteyned in euerye copie, that hereafter shall be made to any suche tenaunte, by the officers of the courtes of euerye suche manour within the lymittes of the saied Chace. And the saied syꝛ Richarde Bage, Thomas Pennage, John Carleton, John Agmondesham, Thomas a Downe, and other the tenautes and freeholders of the saied loꝛdeshippes, manours, townes, and byllages of Estmulfes, Westmulfes, Walton, Ether, Weþþridge, and part of Cobham, do couenaunt and graunte, and euerye of them foꝝ him and his heires couenaunteth and graunteth to and with oure saied soueraygne loꝛde the kyng, his heires and successours, that they and all other the tenautes & freeholders, within the lymittes of the saied chace, and euerye of them, shall at all tymes hereafter stande to obey perfourme, and kepe, within the saied chace, all and syngular suche lawes, oꝛdinaunces, penalties, fynes, and amerciamentes, as appertayne to a chace, and all suche as hereafter shall be pꝛouided oꝝ made by any lawe oꝝ statute, concernyng the pꝛeseruacion oꝝ mayntenaunce of the saied chace: excepte and onely reserued to the saied tenautes, all suche libertees and commoditees befoꝛe by these pꝛesentes vnto them appoynted and lymitted within the saied chace: In witnesse wherof our saied soueraygne loꝛde the kyng to the one part of these pꝛesente Indentures, remainyng with the saied freeholders and customary tenautes hath caused his great seale of Englande to be put: and to the oꝛther part of the same Indentures, remainyng with our saied soueraygne loꝛde the kyng, the saied freeholders and customary tenautes, as well foꝝ them selfe as in the name of all other tenautes and inhabitautes within the limites of the said chace, haue put to their seales, the date & yere aboue wꝛitten. Be it therfoꝛe enacted by auctorite of this pꝛesent parliament, that the sayd Indenture shall persyst continue and abide good effectual and in full strength and vertue, accordyng to the woꝛd tenour & effect therof. And that the kyng our soueraygne loꝛde, his heires and successours foꝝ euer, shall haue and enioye their libertees and pꝛiuisleges, commoditees and pꝛesures of free chace and warren foꝝ all maner of beastes of venery, and fowles of warren, within and vpon the saied townes byllages and parishes of Estmulfes

Estmullye, Westmullye, Walton, Ether, Weibridge, and part of Cobham, and in al other places and groundes, lyng or beyng within the provinces limites and boundes of the said territorie or groundes limited and assigned by the said Indenture for the said chace and warren. And that the same territorie or groundes shall be called named and known by the name of Hampton court chace. And that all and singular transgressours and offenders taken known or proued to haue committed or doone any maner of offence, within or vpon the said chace or warren, contrary to the forme or effect of any part of the said indenture, shall incurre and falle into like daungers, penalties, and forfeitures, as any other lyke offenders, committing or doing any wrong trespass or offence in any other foresh or chace within this realme, may do or shall do.

And furthermore be it enacted, that our sayed soueraigne lord the kyng, his heires and successours, at his and their libertee and pleasure, may make constitute and assigne suche and as many officers, mynisters, and keepers, in for and vpon the said chace and warren, as to hym or them from tyme to tyme shall be thought behouefull convenient and necessary. And that all and singular lawes actes and statutes heretofore made, concerning the keepynge nourishynge encrease and suppoxtacion of any of the focestes, chaces, and warrens of this realme, or any of them, or touchynge or concerning directiōs corrections penalties refozmaciōs or punishmentes for any maner of offences done or committed within any suche focestes chaces or warrens, shall be from hensforth extended and executed into and vpon all transgressours and offenders in the said chace called Hampton court chace, and into or vpon the sayd warren of the same.

And because that the said manour of Hampton court is thus, as is aforesayd, decozated and enuironned with chynages of high and princely comoditees, Be it further enacted by authority of this present parliament, that the manor of Walton vpon the Temmes in the said county of Surte, being parcel of the duchy of Lancaster, & the manour of Walton Leghe, in the said county of Surte, late purchased by the kynges highnes of Gyles Leghe esquier deceased, and the house of Deeland, and al landes tenementes rentes seruices and hereditamentes in Weibridge Walton and Charteley, in the sayd countie of Surte, late purchased by the kynges highnes of John Rede, sonne and heire of William Rede, and the manors of Byflete and Weibridge in the said county of Surrey, being parcel of the duchy of Cornewall, and all the landes and tenementes in Walton & Weibridge aforesayd, late purchased by the kynges highnes of John Goldewell, and his wyfe, and all those landes and tenementes in Walton aforesayde, late purchased by the kynges highnesse of John Carleton, and the manour of Estmullye in the sayde county of Surrey, late purchased by the kynges highnesse of the president and scholars of Corpus Christi Colledge in Oxforde, and the manour of Mullye in the said countie of Surrey, whiche late belonged to the late Monasterie of Marten, in the sayde

countie of Surrey: And the manour of Sandon in the sayde countie of
Surrey late purchased by the kynges highnes of the maister and brethren
of the hospitall of saint Thomas Spittle in Southwarke, in the said coun-
tie of Surrey: And the manour of Weston in the sayd countie of Surrey,
late purchased by the kynges highnes of the abbess and convent of the mo-
nastery of Barking in the countie of Essex: And the manour of Imworth
in the said countie of Surrey, late purchased by the kynges highnes of
Thomas duke of Norfolk. And the manour of Elber in the sayd countie of
Surrey, late purchased by the kynges highnes of the reuerende father in
god Stephen bishop of Wyndchester: and the landes and hereditamentes
with thappurtenances called Heywod, lying within the said chace, whiche
late belonged to the late priorie of Newwerke in the said countie of Surrey.
And al those manours landes tenementes and hereditamentes, lying with-
in the said chace, which s^r Richard Page knight hath lately bargained
and sold vnto our said souerayne lord the kyng: and all landes tenemen-
tes and hereditamentes, whiche be the sayde s^r Richard Pages, lying
lying within the said chace: And al other manours landes tenementes ten-
tes reuererions seruices and hereditamentes, within the limittes and terri-
toirie of the same chace, which the kynges highnes before this tyme hath op-
teyned bought or purchased of any persone or persones, bodies politike or
corporate: And al the fee ferme or yerely rent or annuities of the borough or
towne of Kyngston vpon Temmes, in the sayd countie of Surrey: And
the manours of Hanneworth and Kynton, otherwile called Coldkenning-
ton, and the parke of Hanneworth and Coldkennington, in the countie of
Middlesex: And the manour of Feltham in the sayd countie of Middlesex, whiche
manour of Feltham was late purchased by the kynges highnes of the ma-
ster and brethren of the hospitall of Burton lacyr in the countie of Leices-
ter: And the manour of Codrington in the said countie of Middlesex, late
purchased by the kynges highnes of the abbotte and convent of the mo-
nastery of Westminster, in the countie of Middlesex: and all landes ten-
ementes and hereditamentes, lying in the parische of Hampton in the
sayde countie of Middlesex, late purchased by the kynges highnes of
Thomas Arthure, Thomas Goe, John Wyndale, John Upton, Tho-
mas Elys, and John Lewes, or of any of them: And all landes tenemen-
tes, and hereditamentes, in the parische of Hanneworth, in the sayd coun-
ty of Middlesex, late purchased by the kynges highnes of John Williams,
John Combes, Richard Harris, William Couper, Robert Wattis, Tho-
mas Fitzwater, Rycharde Laurence, Thomas Carpenter, John Biches,
Paule Coke, and the person of the parische of Hanworth aforesayed, or of
any of them: and all the landes and tenementes in Kenton, in the said coun-
tie of Middlesex, lately purchased by the said our souerayn lord the kyng, of the
maister and brethren of the hospitall of Sauey, in the countie of Middlesex:
And al other maners landes tenementes and hereditamentes in Kingston
Hanneworth, Kenton, Coldkennington, Feltham, Codrington, Hampton,
whiche

whiche our sayd souerayne lord the kynge, befoze this tyme hath bought purchasid or obteyned of any person or persons, bodys politike or corporate shall from hensforth be perpetually united annexed demed reputed & taken to be part parcell and membres of the sayde manour of Hampton court. And that the same manour of Hampton court, together with all other the sayde manours landes tenementes and other the pzemisses aboue reherfed and specified, so united and annexed to the same manor of Hampton court, shall from hensforth be named called accepted and taken the honour of Hampton court. And that the sayde manour of Hampton court shall from hensforth be the chiefe and capitall place and part of the sayde honour of Hampton court.

¶ Be it also further enacted by auctoritee aforesayd, that the sayd honour and chace of Hampton court, and all the manours landes tenementes hereditamentes, and other the pzemisses aboue reherfed, shall from hensforth be in the order suruey rule and gouernance of the court of Augmentacions of the reuenues of our soueraine lord the kynges crowne, and to be granted let and set to ferme by the officers and ministers of the same court, in suche maner and forme as other the manours landes and tenementes, appointed to the same court, be or ought to be letten or graunted. And that all the fermes issues reuenues and profittes, commynge and growynge of the pzemisses, and of euery parte thereof, shall be taken and receyued to the kynges vse, by the ministers and officers of the same court, in such maner and forme as is vsed and had of other manours landes and tenementes committed to the order suruey and gouernance of the sayed court of Augmentacions: any act statute ordinance custome or vse heretofore had made or vsed to the contrary thereof not withstanding.

¶ And furthermoze be it enacted by auctoritee aforesayd, that all and singular the tenants, as well freeholders and copyholders, as other, and all and singular personnes, whiche owe suite to any of the sayde manours, or to any leete or lawday, to be holden within the pprocincte of any of them, and the heires successours and assignes of euery of the said tenants, shall do theyr suites seruices and customes, and paie theyr rentes to the said sundry manours, and in suche tymes, as they dyd and ought to do befoze the makynge of this present acte. And that the sayde tenants and suiters or any of them, or the heires, successours, or assignes of them or any of them, at any tyme hereafter, shall not be charged nor chargeable to or with any other seruices suites customes rentes or other charges, nor be compelled to doo or paie the same in any other place or places, nor any of the seuerall tenures chaunged altered or charged, otherwyle than they were or ought to doo or be befoze the makynge of this acte, any thyng therein conteyned to the contrary not withstanding. Waung alway and reseruing to all singular free tenants and customary tenants of any landes tenementes and hereditamentes, lyng or being within the pprocinctes limites and bondes of the said Chace, called Hampton court chace, specified &

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declared by the sayde indenture, and to the heires successours & assignes of euery of them, al and singular liberties profits commodities and advantages to them apperteyning, accordyng to the true intent and pleasure of our sayde soueraigne lord the kynge, signified and declared by the same indenture: any thyng in this acte aboue wrytten not withstandyng.

Provided alwaie, that this acte, oꝛ any thyng therein conteyned, shall not be prejudiciall oꝛ hurtfull to any person oꝛ persons, their heires executors successours oꝛ assignes, foꝛ any leases demises grantes oꝛ couenantes heretofore had made oꝛ graunted to them oꝛ any of them, of the sayde manours and other the premises, oꝛ any part oꝛ parcell therof, by any person oꝛ persons, beyng owners of the sayde manours landes and tenementes and other the premises, oꝛ any part oꝛ parcell therof, oꝛ by any of their ancestoris oꝛ predecessours, oꝛ by any person oꝛ persons lawfully auctoꝛised by them oꝛ any of them, foꝛ any demise lease oꝛ graunt therof made.

Sauyng alwaie to all and euery person and persones, their heires successours executors and assignes, other than such persons, as were parties oꝛ pꝛiꝓ to the bargaynes sales gyftes oꝛ grauntes of the sayed manours and other the premises, oꝛ any parte therof, and theyꝝ wyues theyꝝ heires and successours, and the wiues heires and successours of euery of them, all suche right title vse interest possession lease leases ferme fermes foꝛ terme of life liues yerres oꝛ otherwise: & al grantes libertees rentes charges profits couenantes and all other comodities and commodities, whiche they oꝛ any of them haue, might oꝛ ought to haue, oꝛ hereafter shall oꝛ shoulde haue, in oꝛ to the premises, oꝛ any part oꝛ parcell of them, in suche manner and fourme, as though this acte, oꝛ any thyng therein conteyned to the contrary therof had neuer been had noꝛ made: any thyng in this present acte to the contrary therof not withstandyng.

And foꝛ as muche as the sayd manours of Bysete and Weybrydge, before the makyng of this acte were parcell of the Duchie of Cornwal, and now separated and taken from the same by reason of this acte: Be it therfore enacted by auctoritee aforesaid, that the manour of Shippon, with thappurtenances, in the county of Berk. whiche lately belonged to the late monastery of Abendon, in the same countye of Berk. nowe dissolved, shall from hensforth be vnited & annexed to the sayde Duchie of Cornwal, and shalbe accepted and taken foꝛ and as part and parcell of the same Duchie of Cornwal, in suche lyke manner and fourme, to all intentes and purposes, as the sayde manours of Bysete and Weybrydge were before the makyng of this acte, and that the same manour of Shippon, and the issues reuenues and profits therof, shall from hensforth be surueied received and answered by and before suche persons, officers, and ministers, and in suche lyke manner and fourme, as other the manours landes tenementies and hereditamentes, parcell of the sayd Duchie of Cornwal, be and shalbe surueied received and answered.

Provided alwaie that this act, oꝛ any thyng therein conteyned, shall not be pꝛe-

be prejudicial or hurtful to any person or persons, their heires, executors, successors, or assignes, or any demises leases offices grantes or covenantes heretofore had made or graunted to them or any of them, of the sayde manour of Shippon, or any part or pcell thereof, by our soneraygne lord the kyng, or by any other person or persons, being owner or owners of the same manour of Shippon, this acte, or any thyng therein contened to the contrary therof not withstanding.

CAn acte that suche as were religious persons may purchase, sue and be sued in all maner of actions. Cap. vi.



BE it enacted by auctorite of this present parliament that al and singularliche religious persons, aswel men as womē pofessed, of what order rule or habite so euer they were whiche be, or hereafter shalbe put at their liberties fro the danger seruitude and condicion of their religion & profession, wherunto they were pofessed, by reason of suppression dissolupnge forsaithure by attaynder, rendyng or otherwysē geyng to the handes of the kynges maiestee, or any other the same monasteries, abbets, priories, or other religious houses or places, wherin the same religious persons were pofessed, shal by auctorite of this present parliament, fro and after the first date of the same parliament, and from and after the tyme, that they were or shalbe put at such liberty, haue free libertee to purchase to the and their heires in fee simple, fee taylor, for terme of lyfe for yeres or at will, manors landes tenementes rentes annuities and other hereditamentes & thynges, what so euer they be, in lyke maner and fourme, as though they or any of them had neuer ben pofessed, nor entered in to any such religion. And furthermoze, that they the same religious persons, and euery of them, shall be made able by auctorite of this present acte: to sue and be sued in all maner of actions playntes and suppes, what soo euer they be, of and for any matter or cause growyng sichens and after the tyme of their seueral decaymentes or departyng out of their religion, in al curtes and places within this realme, as other the kynges subiectes be. And furthermoze that they and euery of them, shall and maie frome hensforthe, vse and exercise, receyue take haue and enioye all and euery lawfull thyng and thynges to be growen fall or happened to them or any of them, after the said decayment or departyng out of their religion, in as large & ample maner forme and condicion, as if they had neuer ben pofessed nor entered in to religion, the same profession or religion, or any lawe custome or vse within this realme to the contrary therof in any wyse not withstanding.

Provided alwaies, and be it further enacted by auctorite aforesaid, that none of the same religious persons, shall or maie at any tyme hereafter be taken demed or iudged for or as heire or heires or inheritable to any person or persons to any purpose respect construction or intent in the law, nor p thet

nor any of them by vertue of this act be receiued admitted or demed able in the lawe, to demaunde challenge receiue or take any manours landes tenementes or hereditamentes, or any other thyng or thynges, by reason of or for any former title right interest matter or cause, had made don or growen to any respect or purpose, before their said seuerall deraignementes or departinges out of their religion. And if any of the said religious persons being priestes, or suche as haue auowed religion at .xxi. yeres or aboute, and therto than consented, continuynge in the same any whyle after, not duely prouynge by wytnes or other lawfull meanes some vnlawfull coercion or compulsion done to them or any of them, for makynge of any such bowe, or constraynyng them to remayne in their religion, be enabled by vertue of any wordes clause or sentence before in this acte expressed, to marry or take any wyfe or wiues, but that they and euery of them be clerely excluded and put from the same to all intentes and purposes: any thyng before in this acte conteyned to the contrary hercof in any wyse not withstanding.

CAn acte concerning the continuance of the statute for punishment of beggers and vacabundes, and of certayne other statutes. Cap. vii.

WHERE IN the parliament begunne and holden at London the thirde dape of November, in the .xxi. yere of the reigne of our mooste dreadde souerayne lord kynge HENRY the eight, and from thence adiurned to westm. and there holden and continued by diuers prorogacions, vntil the dissolucion therof, an acte was made and established, declaryng and concernynge as well howe aged poore and impotent persons, compelled to lyue by almes, shoulde be ordered and vsed, and also how vacaboundes and mighty strong beggers shoulde be whipped & punished: and at the said parliament one other acte was made and established for the restraint of carieng & coucieng of horses & mares out of this realme: & also at the said parliament one other acte was made and established for punishment of welshemen, attemptynge assautes or affrays vpon any the inhabitantes of Hertford Glocester or Shropshire: And also at the sayde parliament one other acte was made and established for punishment of the vyce of Buggery, declaryng suche offence to be felony, which said foure seuerall actes were also made to endure to the last daie of the nexte parliament, as by the same foure seuerall actes more playnely appereth. And where also in the said parliament one other acte was made and ordeyned amonge other thynges, for restraynyng the cariages of brasse latens & copers out of this realme: And also one other acte was there made in the said parliament for the true makynge of cables, halsters, and ropes: And also one other acte for the true wyndynge of wolles: And one other acte to restrayne kyllynge of weynlynge bullockes steres or heifers, being vnder the age of two yeres, which sayd four seuerall actes last before

before remembred, were than made to endure and continue vnto the next parliament, as by the same foure seuerall actes moze playnely appereth. And where also in the said parliament one other acte was made and established for the atteintes to be sued for punishment of perjury upon untrue verdictes: And also one other act was there made in the sayd parliament, concerning peauterery: And also one other act was there made in the said parliament, concerning soluyng of flaxe and hempe: all whiche said thre seuerall actes laste before reherced, were than made & ordeined to continue and endure to the last day of the next parliament, as by the same thre seuerall actes moze plainly at large is shewed and may appere. And where also in the said parliament one other act was made and established for making of sayles in dyuers shires of this realme, whiche same act was than made to continu and endure for one yere next after the end of the same parliament, as by the same acte also moze playnly appereth. And where also in the parliament begun and holden at westm the. viii. day of June, in the. xxviii. yere of the reigne of our sayed moste dread soueraygne lord kyng Henry the eighth, and there continued and kept vntil the dissolution thereof, it was ordeined and enacted, that all and singular the sayd seuerall actes aboue remembred, and euery of them, should continue and endure in their force and strength, and also be obserued and kept vntill the laste date of the next parliament, as by the same acte amonges other thynges therein conteyned, moze playnly appereth. And forasmuche as all and singular the said seuerall actes aboue mencioned, be good and beneficiall for the common welth of this Realme, Yet it therfore enacted and ordeyned by the auctorite of this present parliament, that all and singular the sayd seuerall actes, and euery of them, and all clauses articles and prouisions in them and euery of them conteyned, shall continue and endure in their force and strength, and be obserued and kept vntill the last day of the next parliament.

In acte that proclamacions made by the kynges hyghnes, with the aduise of his honorable counsell, shall be obeyed and kept, as thoughe they were made by acte of parliament. Capitulo. viii.



Forasmuche as the kynges most roiall maiestie for diuers considerations by thadvice of his counsell hath hertofore set forth diuers and sundry his graces proclamacions, as well for and concerning dyuers and sundry articles of Christis religion, as for an vnite and concord to be had amongst the louyng and obedient subiectes of this his realme, and other his dominions, and also concerning thaduancement of his common welthe and good quiet of his people, whiche neuer the lesse diuerse and many frowarde wylfull and obstinate persons, haue wylfully contempned and broken, not consyderinge what a kyng by his roiall power

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wer maie do: and for lacke of a direct statute and lawe to coherc offenders, to obey the saied proclamacions, whiche beyng still suffred, shuld not onely encozage offenders to the disobedience of the preceptes and lawes of all myghty God, but also sound to much to the great dishonour of the kinges most roiall maiestee (who maie full y^e beare it) and also grue to great hurt and boldnes to all malefactours and offendours: Consideryng also that sodayn causes and occasions fortune many tymes, which do require speedy remedies, and that by abydyng for a parliament, in the meane tyme might happen greate prejudice to ensue to the realme: and beyng also, that his maiestee (whiche by the kyngly and regall power geuen hym by God, maie do many thynges in suche cases) shuld not be driven to extend the libertee and suppremittee of his regall power and dignitee by wilfulnes of froward subiectes: it is therfore thought in maner more than necessary, that the kinges highnes of this realme for the tyme beyng, with thadvise of his honorable counsell, shuld make and set forth the proclamacions for the good and politike order and gouernance of this his realme of Englande Wales and other his dominions from tyme to tyme, for the defence of his regal dignitee, and thadvancement of his common welth, and good quiet of his people, as the cases of necessitee shall require. And that an ordinary law shuld be provided by thassent of his maiesty and parliament, for the due punishment correction and refozmacion of such offences and disobediences. Be it therfore enacted by auctoritee of this parliament, with the kynges maiestee, the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons assent, that alwaies the kyng, for the tyme beyng, with thadvise of his honorable counsell, whose names hereafter folow, or with thadvise of the more part of them may set forth at al tymes, by auctoritee of this act, his proclamacions, vnder suche penaltees and peynes, and of suche sort, as to his highnesse, and his saied honorable counsell, or the more part of them: shall seme necessary and requisite. And that those same shall be obeyed obserued and kepte, as though they were made by act of parliament, for the tyme in them limited, onelesse the kynges highnesse dispence with them or any of them vnder his great seale.

Provided alwaies, that the wordes meanyng and intent of this acte, be not vnderstand, interpretate, construed, or extended, that by vertue of it any of the kynges liege people, of what estate degre or condicion so euer be or they be, bodie politike or corporate, their heires or successours, shoulde haue any of his or their inheritances laifull possessions offices libertees priuileges franchises goodes or cattails, taken from them or any of them: Nor by vertue of the sayd act suffice any peynes of deatch, other than shalbe hereafter in this acte declared. Nor that by any proclamacion to bee made by vertue of this acte, any actes, common lawes, standyng at this present tyme in strength and force, nor yet any laifull or laudable customes of this realme, or other his dominions, ne any of them shalbe infringed broken or subuerted: And specially all those actes, standyng this houre in force, whiche

the have ben made in the kynges highnes tyme: but that every such person and persons, bodies politike and corporate, their heires and successours, & the heires and successours of every of them, their inheritances lawfull possessions offyces liberties privileges franchises goodes & cattails shal stand and be in the same state and condicion, to every respect & purpose, as if this acte or p[ro]viso had never be had or made. Excepte suche forfeitures paynes and penalties, as in this acte and in any p[ro]clamation, whiche hereafter shalbe sette forth by auctorite of the same, shal be declared and expessed. And excepte suche personnes, whiche shal offende any p[ro]clamation to be made by the kynges highnes, his heires or successours, for and concerning any kynde of heresies, agaynst christen religion.

¶ Furthermoze be it enacted by the auctorite of this present parliament, that to the intent the kynges subiectes shuld not be ignorant of his p[ro]clamacions, every Shireffe or other officer and minister, to whom any such p[ro]clamation shalbe directed by the kynges writte vnder his great seale, shal p[ro]claime or cause the same to be p[ro]claimed within .xiii. dayes after the receypte therof, in foure severall market townes, yf there be so many, or els in fyve other townes places or villages, within the lymittes of their auctorite. And they to cause the same p[ro]clamacions to be fixed and set up openly upon places convenient in every such towne place or byllage, vnder payne and penaltie of suche summe and summes of money, or imprisonment of body, as shal be conteyned in the said p[ro]clamation or p[ro]clamacions.

¶ And be it further enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that yf any person or persons, of what estate degre or condicion so ever he or they be, which at any tyme hereafter do wilfully offende and breke, or obstinately not observe and kepe any suche p[ro]clamation, or any article therein conteyned, whiche shal p[ro]cede from the kynges maiestye, by thadvise of his counsell, as is aforesaid: that then all and every suche offender or offenders, beyng therof within one halfe yere next after their or his offence comitted, accused, & therof within .xviii. monethes nexte after the same offence so convicted by confession or lawfull witness, and p[ro]ves before the archebysshop of Cantebury Metropolitane, the Chauncellour of Englande, the lord treasurer of England, the presidente of the kynges most honorable counsell, the lord p[ri]nce of Wales, the great Chamberlayne of England, lord admiral, lord steward of the h[ou]sehold, two other bishops, being of the kynges counsell suche as his grace shal appoynte for the same, the secretary, the treasurer & controller of the kynges most honorable householde, the master of the h[ou]se, the two chief iudges, & the master of the Rolles, for the tyme being, the Chauncellour of the augmentacions, the Chauncellour of the Duchy, the chief baron of the exchequer, the two generall surveyours, the chauncellour of the exchequer, the vnder Treasurer of the same, the treasurer of the kynges chamber for the tyme being, in the Exchequer at westm[onasterie], or els where: or at the least before the halfe of the number afoze rehersed, of which number the

the lord chamberlaine, the lord Treasurer, the lord president of the kinges most honorable countell, the lord Priue seale, the Chamberlayne of Englande, the lord admyrall, the two chief Judges for the tyme being, or two of them shalbe two: shall lose and pay suche penaltiese for faillures of times of moner to be leuied of his or their landes tenementes goodes and cattails to the kynges vse, and also suffre suche imprisonment of his body, as shall be expressed mencioned and declared in any such proclamacion or proclamaciōg which such offender or offenders shal offende and breke, or not obserue and kepe, contrary to this acte, as is aforesaid. And that execution shalbe had done & made agaynst euery suche offender and offenders, with the addicion of the names or surnames to wnes or counties mistery or occupation of the sayd offenders, by suche order proces wayes & meanes, & after suche maner forme and condicion, as by the kynges highnes, and the sayd countell shall be deuised and thought moste conuenient for example of suche offenders. ¶ Prouided alwaye, that none offender, whiche shall offende contrary to the forme of any suche proclamacions, shall incurre the danger & penalite therof, except suche proclamacion or proclamaciōg be had done or made in suche shire or county, where the offender hath or shall dwell or be most conuenient within a yere before. ¶ And be it further enacted by thauenthyete aforesaid that the lord chancellor, the lord priue seale, and either of them, with the assent of. vi. of the forenamed, shall haue power and auctoritee by shur discretions, vpon euery informaciō to be geuen to them or to either of them touching the premises, to cause proces to be made agaynst all & singular suche offenders, by writtes vnder the kynges great seale, or vnder his graces priue seale, in fourtine folowynge, that is to saie. First by proclamacion vnder a peyne or a penalite, by the discrecion of the aforesaid chancellours appoynted, for the awardynge of procelle, and yf he appere not to the same, without a lausful excuse, than the said chancellours to awarde out an other proclamacion, vppon allegaunce of the same offender, for the due examinacon triall and conuiction of euery suche person & persons, as shall offende contrary to this acte, for the due execution to be had of and for the same, in maner and forme as is aboue remembred. Except it be within the libertie of the county palantyne of the duchy of Lancaster. And in case it so be: than to passe by the chancelloz of the kinges duchy of Lancaster, vnder y seale of the said duchy, with the assent of. vi. at the least of the aforesaid counsellours. ¶ Be it also further enacted by thauenthyete aforesaid, that if any person or persons do comitte any offence, contrary to the forme & effecte of this acte, and after the same offence done or committed, do obstinately willyngly or contemptuously auoide and depart out of this realme, for and to thentent that he wyll not answer to suche offence or offences by hym committed and done, contrary to this acte, that than euery such wyllfull and contemptuous person, auoydynge or departynge out of this realme, shall be adiudged a traitor, and his facte high treason, and shall haue and suffre suche peynes of death, and also forsayte goodes and cattails, landes and tenementes, as in

case of high treason. Saving to al singular person & persons, bodies po-
lith & corporate, their heires & successours, & to the heires & successours of eue-
ry of them, other than such person and persons, their heires and successours,
and the heires and successours of euey of them, that shall offend contrary to
this act, and ther vpon obliuiously willingly or contemptuously annoy & de-
parte out of this realme, as is aforesaid, all such right & title & interest
rentes reuerfions remainders lease leasies grantes annuities offices com-
mons profits commodities and other hereditamentes what so euer, in &
to al and singular such honours castels manours landes tenementes and
other hereditamentes, which any such offender or offenders shall haue at
the tyme of his or their offence or offences of treason committed, or at any
tyme after, in such lyke manner forme and condicion, to all intentes construc-
tions and purposes, as if this acte had neuer ben had or made: any thyng
contained in this acte to the contrary in any wyse nor withstanding.

¶ And it is further enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that if any person or
persons, offending contrary to this acte, do willingly and contemptuously
withdrowe absent elome or secretly hyde han selfe within any parte of this
realme, or any of the kinges dominions, by the space of two monethes next
after any writt of proclamacion shalbe made directed & proclaimed against
him or them, as afoze is reherfed, and therof by any conuenient or reasona-
ble meane may haue knowlege, so that by eloinyng of him selfe, his offence
can not be examined tried and iudged within the space tyme of .xviii. mone-
thes: that than euey such person and persons so offendyng, shall stande
and be as a person convicted of thoffences agensste him objected, and also
lose and pay al and euey such forfeiture, summes of money, and also suf-
fer such imprisonment as to the same offence shall appertayn.

¶ And be it further enacted, that yf it happen our saied soueraygne lozde
the kyng to deceasse (whose lyfe God longe pserue) before such tyme as
that person, which shalbe his next heire or successour to the imperial crown
of this realme, shall accomplishe and come to the age of .xviii. yeres, that
than all and singular proclamacions, whiche shalbe in any wyse made and
set forth in to any part of this realme, or other the kinges dominions, by de-
cree of this act, within the foresaied yeres of the saied next heire or succes-
sour, shalbe sette forth in the successours name then beyng kyng, and shal
imposse or beare vnder witten the ful names of such of the kinges hono-
rable counsell then beyng, as shall be the diuisours or setters forth of the
same, whiche shalbe in this case the hole number afoze reherfed, or atte the
least the moze parte of them, or rike the proclamacions to be voyde and of
none effecte.

¶ Provided also, that yf any proclamation or proclamacions hereafter
shalbe directed by vertue of this act, to the iustices of the peace of any shire
or county that than within .xiii. dayes after the receipt therof, the same Jus-
tyces shall and may by their discretions diuide them selues in sundry par-
tes and places within the limites of their commission, for the due and spe-
dy execution

the execution of the contents of the same proclamation or proclamations, and they and every of them doying or causing to be done with convenient speed in their sundry lycettes, as much as in them reasonable doeth lye or rest to be done, for the due and speedy execution of the same proclamation or proclamations: than every such of the same Justices, as so shall do his diligence, or as much as in him reasonable resteth to be done, shall be discharged and exonerated against the kinges highnes, his heires and successours of and for every penalty or payne, limited and appoynted by the same proclamation to every of the same iustices.

¶ Provided also, that no Justices of peace shall be charged hereafter by vertue of any suche proclamation, with or for any payne or penaltie, for not doying or executyng of the same proclamations, but onely in the countie or countie, where any suche Justices of peace shall or do inhabyte, dwelle, or be most conuerfant or abiding.

¶ Provided also that the foresaid counsaillours appointed or to be appointed by vertue of this acte, or any parte thereof by the kinges highnes, his heires or successours, to and for the hearing and determination of every offence, committed contrary to any of his or their proclamation or proclamations, shall from tyme to tyme, knowyng the kinges determinate pleasure byttherin, have full power and auctorite to diminish or mitigate the penalties of the summe or summes of money, whiche shall be contemned in any of the sayd proclamations hereafter to be made by the kinges highnes his heires or successours.

¶ In acte auctorisyng the kinges highnesse to make byshoppes by his letters patentes. Cap. ix.



How muche as it is not unknowen, the stouthfull and beggarly lyfe, which hath ben vsed amonge all those sort, whiche haue borne the name of religious folke, and to thintent that from henceforth many of them might be turned to better vse, as hereafter shall folowe, wherby goddis worde might the better be set forth, children brought vp in lernyng, clerkes nourished in the vniuersities, olde seruantes decayed to haue liuinges, almes houses for pore folke to be sustained in, reders of Grece, Chyeten and latyne, to haue good stipende, daily almes to be ministred, mending of highwayes, exhibicion for ministers of the church. It is thought therfore vnto the kinges highnes most expedient and necessary, that mo byshoppes collegiall and cathedrall churches shall be establisshed in stede of these foresaid religious houses, within the foundation wherof these other titles aforesayd heretofore, shall be establisshed. Be it therfore enacted by auctorite of this present parliament, that his highnes shall haue full power and auctorites from tyme to tyme, to declare & nominate by his letters patentes or other writings

to be made vnder his greatte Seale, suche number of byshopps, suche number of cityes, sees for byshoppes, cathedrall churches, and dyoces by metes and bondes, for the exercise and ministracion of their episcopall offices and administracion, as shall appertayne, and to endowe them with suche possessions, after suche manner forme and condicion, as to his mooste excellent wysedome shall be thought necessarie and conueniente. And also shall haue power and auctoritie to make and dryue translations, or bynances rules and statutes, concerning therein all and euery of them, and further to do al and euery other thing and thinges, what so euer it be, whiche shall be deuised and thought requisite conuenient and necessary by his mooste excellent wysedome and discrecion, for the good perfeccion and accomplisment of all and singular his saied mooste godly and graicouse purposes and intentes, touchyng the premises, or any other charitable or godly dedes to be deuised by his highnes concernyng the same. And that all and singular such translations nominacions of bishops cityes sees and limitation of dioces for bishops erections, establisshmentes, foundations, ordinaunces, statutes, rules, and al and euery other thing and thinges, whiche shall be deuised compyled and expressed by his graces sundry & seuerall letters patentes or other writynges vnder his great seale, touchyng and concernyng the premises, or any of them, or any circumstances or dependances therof, necessary and requisite for the perfeccion of the premises, or any of them, shall be of as good strength force valu and effect, to all intentes and purposes, as if suche thinges, that shall so be deuised expressed and mencioned in his letters patentes or other writynges vnder his great seale, had ben done made and had by auctorite of parliament.

In acte concernyng placynge of the lordes in the parliament chaumber, and other assemblies and conferences of counsaile. Capitulo. x.



Inasmuch as in all great counceils and congregacions of men, hauing sundry degrees and offyces in the common welthe, It is very requisite and conuenient that an order shulde be had and taken for the placynge & sitting of suche persons as ben bounden to resorte to the same, to the intent that they, knowing their places, may vse the same without displeasure or let of the counceill. Therefore the kynges most royal maiesty, although it appertaineth vnto his prerogative royal, to gyue suche honour, reputacion, and placynge to his counceillours, and other his subiectes, as shall be seming to his most excellent wisdom, is neuertheles pleased and contented for an order to be had and taken in this his most high court of parliament, that it shall be enacted by auctorite of the same, in maner and forme as hereafter foloweth.

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of what estate degree or condition so ever he or they be of (except onely the kynges chyldren) shall at any tyme hereafter attempte or presume to sitte or haue place at any syde of the clothe of estate in the parliament chamber, nor thereof the one hande of the kynges highnes, nor of the other, whether the kynges maiestie is ther personallie present or absent. And for asmuch as the kynges maiestie is iustly and lawfully supreme head in erthe vnder god of the church of England, & for the good exercise of the said most royall dignitie & office, hath made Thomas lord Crumwell & lord pryncp seal his vicegerent for good & due ministracion of Justice to be had in al causes & cases touching the ecclesiasticall iurisdiction, and for the godly reformation & redress of al errours heresies and abuses in the said church. It is therfore al so enacted by auctorite aforesaid, that the said lord Crumwell, hauing the said office of vicegerent, & al other persons, which hereafter shall haue the said office of the graunt of the kynges highnes, his heires or successours, shall sit and be placed aswell in this present parliament, as in al parliamentes to be holden hereafter, on the right syde of the parliament chamber, & vpon the same fourme that the archbishop of Canturbury sitteth on, and aboue the same archbishop and his successours, and shall haue voice in every parliament to assent or dissent, as other the lordes of the parliament. And it is also enacted, that next to the said vicegerent shall sit the archbishop of Canturbury: and than nexte him on the same fourme & syde shall sit the archbishop of Yorke: and next to him on the same fourme and syde, the bishop of London: And next to him on the same syde and fourme the bishop of Duresme: and next to him on the same syde and fourme the bishop of Winchester, and than all the other bishops of both prouinces of Canturbury and Yorke, shall sit and be placed on the same syde after their auncienties, as it hath ben accustomed.

And for asmuch as such other personages, whiche now haue, and hereafter shall happen to haue other great offices of the realme, that is to say, the offices of the lord Chancellor, the lord Treasurer, the lord President of the kynges most honorable counsell, the lord pryncp seal, the great Chamberlayn of England, the Constable of England, the Marcial of England, the lord Admirall, the Grand master or lord Steward of the kynges most honorable household, the kynges Chamberlaine, and the kynges Secretory haue not heretofore bene appointed and ordeyned for the placing and sitting in the kynges most hyghe court of parliament by reason of their offices. It is therfore now ordeined and enacted by thaurorite aforesaid, that the lord Chancellor, the lord treasurer, the lord president of the kynges counsell, & the lord pryncp seal; beyng of the degree of barons of the parliament or aboute shall sit and be placed as well in this present parliament, as in al other parliamentes hereafter to be holden, on the left syde of the said parliament chamber, on the hygher part of the forme of the same syde aboue all Dukes, except only such as shall happen to be the kynges sonne, the kynges brother the kynges vncle, & kynges newew, or & kynges brothers or sisters sonnes.

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And it is also ordeyned and enacted by auctoritee aforesaid, that the great Chamberlayn, the Constable, the Marciall, the lord Admirall, the great Wapster or lord Steward, and the kynges Chamberlayn, shall sytte and be placed after the lord Pryue seale, in maner and fourme following, that is to saye, every of them shall sytte and be placed above all other personages beyng of the same estates or degrees, that they shall happen to be of, that is to saye, the great Chamberlayne, sytte: the Constable next, the Marciall thurdr, the lord Admirall the fourth, the graund Wapster or lord Steward the fift, and the kynges Chamberlayn the sytte.

And it is also enacted by auctoritee aforesaid, that the kynges chiefe Secretoy, beyng of the degree of a baron of the parliamente, shall sytte and be placed afore and above all barons, not hauing any of the offices afoze mentioned. And if he be a bpschop, that than he shall sytte and be placed above all other bpschoppes, not hauing any of the offices about remembred.

And it is also ordeyned and enacted by auctoritee aforesaid, that all dukes, not afoze mentioned, marquesses, erles, vicountes, and barons, not hauing any of the offices aforesaid, shall syt and be placed after their auncientes, as it hath ben accustomed.

And it is further enacted, that if any person or persons, whiche at any tyme hereafter shall happen to haue any of the said offices of lord Chancellor, lord Treasurer, lord Presidente of the kynges counsell, lord Pryue seale, or chiefe Secretoy, shall be vnder the degree of a baron of the parliament, by reason wherof they can haue no interest to geue any assente or dissent in the said house, that then in every suche case, suche of them as shall happen to be vnder the said degree of a baron, shall sytte and be placed at the vppermoste parte of the sakes, in the myddes of the said parliament chamber, eyther there to sytte vpon one coure, or vpon the vppermoste sake, the one of them above the other in order, as is above reherfed.

Be it also enacted by auctoritee aforesaid, that in all trialles of treasons by peeres of this realme, if any of the peeres that shall be called hereafter to be triours of such treasons, shall happen to haue any of the offices aforesaid: that then they, hauinge suche offices, shall sytte and be placed accordyng to theyr offices, above all the other peeres, that shall be called to suche trials, in maner and fourme as is above mentioned and reherfed.

And it is also enacted by auctoritee aforesaid, that as well in all parliamentes, as in the Wyette chaumber, and in all other assemblies and conferences of counsaile, the lord Chancellor, the lord Treasurer, the lord Presidente, the lord Pryue seale, the great Chamberlayn, the Constable, the Marciall, the lord Admirall, the Graund wapster or lord Steward, the kynges Chamberlayn, and the kynges chiefe Secretoy shall sytte and be placed in suche order and faccon as is above reherfed, and not in any other place, by auctoritee of this present acte.

An acte auctorisyng the kynges highnes wylly to allotte certayne
townes shires in Wales. Cap. xi.



Where in the parliament begunne & holden at London the .iii. day of November, in the .xxi. yere of the reigne of our most dread souerayn lord kyng HENRY the. viii. & from thens aduermed to westm. and there holden and continued by diuers prorogacions vnto the .iii. day of February, in the .xxviii. yere of the reigne of our said souerayn lord, and than and ther holden and continued vnto the dissolucion therof, one acte and ordinance was made in the session of the said parliament, holden the said. .iii. day of February, whereby amonges diuers other thinges, diuers shires and countees were newly made and named within the dominio and principalite of Wales, and diuers townes parishes lordships commotes and cantredes within the said dominion and principalite were allotted apoynted and limited to the said seuerall shires and countees, as by the same acte moze plapnely and particularly among other thinges appereth. And forasmuch as by credible informacio it was comen in to the kynges knowlege, after the making of the said acte, that some lordships townes parishes comotes hundredes & candredes were not in differently allotted & limited to the shires named in the said acte, for the comoditie of the kynges subiectes inhabited therein. It was therfore ordeined and enacted by auctorite of the parliament holde at westm. the. viii. day of June, in the .xxviii. yere of the kynges reigne, that the kynges highnes, during the tyme of .iii. yeres next after the ende of the same parliament, shuld haue power & auctoritee by writing vnder his great seale, to allot appoynt assigne and limite to euery of the shires named in the sayed acte, such and so many lordships townes parishes hamlettes hundredes commotes and cantredes, as his maiesty by his mozte high wisdomie shulde thynke conuenient and agreable, for the ease and commoditie of his louyng subiectes the inhabitantes of his said dominion & principalite. And shulde likewise haue power and auctoritee, to name and assigne the shire townes in euery of the said shires, named in the said acte. And that euery such limitacion appointment nomination and assignement to be made by the kynges highnes in that behalfe, by auctoritee of the said acte, shuld be as good and effectual to all intentes & purposes, as though it had ben don, and made, plainly & particularly by auctoritee of parliament, any thing contained in the said acte, in the session of the said parliament holden the. iii. day of February, in the .xxviii. yere, or any thing or thinges to the contrary therof not withstanding. And forasmuch as the tyme of .iii. yeres limited to the kynges maiesty by the said acte, made in the .xxviii. yere of his graces reigne, is now expired, & his highnes hath had such great affaires, & vrgēt causes to do, concerning the state and welth of this realme, that by occasion therof his maiesty hath had no conuenient tyme nor leysure, to accomplishe & execute the power & auctoritee committed to his highnes by the said acte, made in the sayde. .xxviii. yere of his reigne. Be it therfore enacted by auctoritee of this present parliament, that

that his maiesty, during the space of other.iii. yeres, next after the first day of this present parliament, shall have like power & auctorite, to do vse execute and accomplishe all and every thing and thinges limited & appointed to his maiesty to be done vnto and accomplished by the same act, made in the said. cxviii. yere of his graces reigne, in as large and ample manner, in every condicion, as his maiesty might haue done vnto and accomplished within the said tyme of the yeres, limited by the same act, as is also said. And that euer such limitation appoynement nomination & assignement to be made by the kynges highnes in that behalfe, by auctorite of this present act, during the space of the said other.iii. yeres, next after the first day of this present parliament, shalbe as good & effectual, to all intents & purposes, as though it had ben done & made plainly and particularly by auctorite of parliament.

An acte concerning wroungfull taking of haukes egges & birdes out of the nest, finding & taking vp of the kinges haukes, hunting in the kynges forest parkes or chase or other ground inclosed, & billing of cownes within any lawfull warren of the kynges. Cap.ii.



Where in the parliament holden at Westm, the. xi. yere of the reigne of the noble prince of famous memory kyng Henry the vii. it was ordeined, and among other thinges enacted & established, that no man of what condicion or degree so euer he be, shuld take or cause to be take the egges of any faucon goshaunke or laner out of the nest, vpon peyn of imprisonment by one yere, & further to fyne at the kynges will. Not withstanding which estatute diuers idel & ill disposed persons, litel or nothing regarding or fearing the peyn in the same estatute conteyned, haue not desisted to take egges of faucons goshaunkes & laners out of the nestes, to þe bitter destruction of the increase of þe same faucons goshaunkes & laners, if due reformation in that behalfe be not prouided. In consideration wherof it is ordeined and enacted by the kyng our souerain lord, the lordes spiritual & temporal, & the commons in this present parliament assembled, & by the auctoritee of the same þe if any person or persons of what estate degree or condicion so euer he or they be, after the feast of the natiuite of our Lady next coming, vniawfully or wroungfully take or cause to be taken any egge or egges of any faucon goshaunke or laner, or the birdes of any faucon goshaunke laner or lanerret, oute of or ffrom any nest or nestes of any faucon goshaunke or laner, within any of the honours castels maners land & testes woodes or other gooddes what so euer they be, of the kynges highnes so: þe tyme being, wherof his said highnes is seised in demain possession or reuerfion, or wherof he taketh the rétes issues reuenues or profits that than the same offence and offences, & euer of them, shalbe adiudged and taken to be felony, and the offender and offenders therein, being thereof lawfully convicted & arraynted, by & accordyng to the lawes of this realme, shalbe demed & iudged felons, & shall haue & suffer such peynes of deathe

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and also lose and forfeite their goodes and cattalles landes and tenementes, as in case of felony by the course of the common lawes of this realme. **¶** Provided always, that this act or any thing therein before ordained and enacted, extend not, nor be in any wise prejudicial or hurtfull to any person or persons, whiche after the said feast of the natiuite of our lady, shal take or cause to be taken any egge or egges of any faucon, goshauke or laner, or the byrdes of any faucon, goshauke, laner, or laneret, out of or from any nest or nestes of any faucon, goshauke, or laner, within any honours castelles manours landes tenementes woodes or other groundes, wherof or wherin any person or persons, bodie politike and corporat, other than the kynges highnes, his heires and successours, or any of them, shal haue any estate of inheritance: any thyng before expressed or mencioned to the contrary therof not withstanding.

¶ And be it further enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that if any person or persons, after the said feast of the natiuite of our lady, happen to finde and take by any faucon, gersaucon, Jerkin, sacre, or sacret, goshauke laner, or laneret, being the kynges hauke or haukes, & haupng by him or them the marke of the kynges armes and veruels: that then if the same person or persons, whiche shall fynde and take by any such faucon gersaucon, Jerkin, sacre or sacret, goshauke, laner, or laneret, within xii. days next after the taking by of any such hauke, do not byng or cause to be brought the same hauke so by him taken, to the maister of the kynges haukes, or to some of his graces fauconers, or within the tyme next abovesaid, do not geue knowlege of the taking by of any such hauke to the said maister of the kynges haukes for the tyme being, or to the Wretche of the Wre, for the tyme being, where any such hauke shall be taken by, or to none of the kynges fauconers for the tyme being, nere abyding in or to any such partes, where any such hauke shalbe fowden and taken by, as is aforesaid: that than every such fyndyng and taking by of any such hauke, and not byngng nor giuyng knowlege therof, as is aforesaid, shalbe adjudged & taken to be felony: and the offender and offenders therein, being therof lawfully convicted and attaynted, by & according to the lawes of this realme shall haue and suffre such peines of deth and also lose and forfeite his and their goodes and cattalles landes and tenementes, as in case of felony by the course of the comon lawes of this realme.

¶ Provided alwayes, that this acte nor any thing therein conteyned, be or shall be in any wise prejudicial or hurtfull to any person or persons, that hereafter shall fynde and take by any of the said haukes of the kyng our souerayne lord his heires or successours, & by chance negligently or casually agaynst his or their wyl, lose the same hauke or haukes: or if the same hauke dye agaynst his or their wyl, before they can or maie deliuer the same hauke, as is aforesaid.

¶ And where also iustice and equitie requyret, that every inheritour and possessor of manours landes or tenementes within this realme of Eng-

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lande, should according to thei estates oꝝ possessions peacefully and quietly
have take and enjoy the pꝛofites revenues and comodities of the same, as
well in thynges of highe pleasure, as in thynges comonly valuable, with-
out iniurie rapine oꝝ other extoꝝt wꝛonge to be committed and done to any
of them, within oꝝ upon the same, & in especial of & in thynges of pleasure, as
in huntynge within foꝛest parke oꝝ chase of the kynges, the queenes, the pꝛin-
cis oꝝ of any other of the kynges laifull childerne foꝝ the tyme beyng, oꝝ
deyned and pꝛovided foꝝ oꝝ concernynge his highnes, oꝝ their pleasure: We
it therfoꝛe oꝝ deined and enacted by the auctoꝛite of this present parliament,
that if any person oꝝ persons, of what estate degree oꝝ condition so ever he
oꝝ they be, after the sayde feast of the Statutie of our lady next comynge,
at any tyme of the day, that is to say, betwene the tyme of the arysynge of the
sonne, and goynge downe of the same, with his face hyddē oꝝ couered with
hoode oꝝ bysar, oꝝ with his face peynted, oꝝ hym selfe otherwise disguised, to
thentent that he wold not be knowe, wꝛongfully enter into any foꝛest park
oꝝ chase of the kynges highnes, the queenes, the pꝛincis, oꝝ of any other of
the kynges said childerne foꝝ the tyme being, oꝝ into any other ground of his
oꝝ theirs, inclosed with wall oꝝ pale, oꝝ deyned and vled foꝝ keepynge and no-
urysynge of dēre, to thentent to steale any of the same dēre, and by any mean
of huntynge oꝝ otherwise, as is afoꝛesaid, by stealth slea oꝝ take any of the
same dēre, oꝝ dꝛive oꝝ chase any of them out of the same foꝛest chase parke,
oꝝ other ground inclosed, as is afoꝛesaid, oꝝ deined and vled foꝝ keepynge and
nourysynge of dēre, as is afoꝛesaid, to thentent to steale the same dēre. And if
any person, after the said feast last before remembꝛed, at any tyme of the day
as is afoꝛesaid, with his face hidde oꝝ couered with hoode oꝝ bysar, oꝝ with
his face peynted, oꝝ hym selfe otherwise disguised, to thentent that he wold
not be knowen, take kyll oꝝ slee with any hey oꝝ other nette, oꝝ with any fir-
rette oꝝ putnet, any of the conies oꝝ rabbettes, beyng within any ground
foyle oꝝ place, beyng laifull warren of the kynges hyghnesse, the queenes,
the pꝛincis, oꝝ of any other the kynges said childerne, foꝝ the tyme being, and
beyng kepte oꝝ vled as warren foꝝ the mayntenaunce and nourysynge of
conies and rabbettes, oꝝ in fouꝛme afoꝛesayde, take kyll oꝝ slee any co-
nies oꝝ rabbettes, beyng within any of the kynges parkes, his heires and
successours oꝝ within any parke of the queenes, the pꝛincis, oꝝ of any other
of the kynges said childerne foꝝ the tyme beyng. Except it be suche person oꝝ
persones, as hath oꝝ shall have the sayde conies and rabbettes in ferme, oꝝ
shalbe licenced by the wytyng of the kyng, the quene, the pꝛince, oꝝ of any
other of the kynges said childerne, so to do: And if after the sayd feast any per-
son oꝝ persons, at any tyme in the nyght, that is to say, betwene the tyme of
the goynge downe of the sonne, and arysynge of the same, wꝛongfully en-
ter into any foꝛest chase parke oꝝ other grounde inclosed, as is afoꝛesaid, of
the kynges hyghnes, the queenes, the pꝛincis, oꝝ of any other of the kynges
sayd childerne foꝝ the tyme beyng, inclosed, oꝝ deyned & vled foꝝ the keepynge
and nourysynge of dēre, to thentent to slee steale and take any of the dēre of
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the said forest chace or parkes, or other ground inclosed, as is aforesaid, or de-
ned and bled for the sending of deer, or by any means of hunting or other
wyle, to thentent to steale at any tyme of the nyght, as is aforesaid, let or
take any of the deer beynge in the same: or by any means in the sayd nyght
tyme, chace or drive out of any such forest chace parkes or other ground inclo-
sed, as is aforesaid, of the kynges, his heires and successours, or of the queenes
the princis, or of any other of the kynges said children, for the tyme being,
any of the deer of the same, to thentent to steale the same deer: Or at any
tyme of the nyght aboue wyten, take hyl or flee with any hyl or other net, or
with any fyret or pursnet, any of the conies or rabbettes in any ground or
soile, being a lawfull free warren of the kynges highnes for the tyme being,
and beynge kept and bled as a warren, as is aforesaid, or take hyl or flee in
forme next aforesaid any conies or rabbettes, in any of the parkes of the
kynges highnes, his heires or successours, or of the queenes, the princis, or of
any other of the kynges said children for the tyme being. Except he or they
that shal so offend, hath or shall have the same conies in ferme, or otherwise
licenced, as is aforesaid: that than every suche offender and offenders for
their offences, by them or any of them committed and done, contrary to the
purport and effect of this acte, shall be demed adjudged & taken as a felon;
and every such offence by any of them committed & done, contrary to this
acte, as is aforesaid, shal be demed and adjudged felony. And that every su-
che offender and offenders, which shall be therof convicted and atteynted,
acordyng to the lawes of this realme, shall have and suffer suche lyke pu-
nyshment, and incurre such losses and forfaytures for the same, as ben or
demed for other felons by the common lawes of this realme.

Provided alway and be it enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that no ma-
ner of person or persons, of what estate or degree so ever he or they be, shall
hereafter be made, demed, or taken by any manner of means, as accessary or
accessaries to any offender or offenders, offending in any thing contrary to
the tenour and effect of this acte, or of any article or clause therein cōteined,
but onely suche person and persons as shall hereafter abbet and procure
any suche offender or offenders, to committe and do any offence contrary to
this acte, which person and persons so abbetting and procuring any offen-
der or offenders, to committe and do any offence contrary to the tenour and
effecte of this acte, shall after the same offence done, by the auctorite aforesaid,
be adjudged demed and taken as accessary and accessaries in lyke ma-
ner, as in cases of felony at the common lawes.

Provided alway, that any word article clause sentence forfayture peine
or punishment in this acte befoze expessed and declared, shall not in any
wyle extend to any person or persons, that shall hunt take hyl or flee any
deer conies or rabbettes by day or nyght, contrary to this acte in any chaces
forestes or warrens of the kynges, the queenes, the princis, or of any other
the kynges said children, setyng and being within his graces dominion
of wales, or in the borders ayent Scotlande, the forestes of Snowden in
wales

woales onely excepted: any thyng in this acte before declared and mencio-
ned to the contrary in any wyse not withstanding.

Provided alway, that this acte or any thyng therein conteyned, extend
not to any persone or persones, whiche shall not be lawfully inhibited of any
offence in this acte conteyned within one yere next after any such offence co-
mitted or done: This acte or any thyng therein conteyned to the contrarye
not withstanding.

In act wherby al maner of landes profitis and hereditamentes belongyng to any the
monasteries or other religious houses dissolved, or hereafter by any meane to be dissol-
ved, are assured to the kynges byghthe his heires and successors for ever. And
howe and in what wyse leases and grauntes heretofore made or hereafter
to be made of them or any part of them shall take effect. Cap. xiii.



Where divers sundrie abbottes priors abbes prioresse &
other ecclesiastical governours & governesses of divers mona-
steries abbaties priories nories collegis hospitals houses
of friers, and other religious and ecclesiastical houses and
places, within this our soueraygne lorde the kynges realme
of Englande and woales, of their owne free and voluntary
myndes, good wylles, and assentes, withoute constraints coaction or com-
pulsion of any maner of persone or persons sithen the. iiii. day of februa-
ry, the. xxviii. yere of the reygne of our now most dread soueraigne lorde, by
the dewe order and counseil of the common lawes of this his realme of En-
glande, and by their sufficiente writinges of recoorde vnder their couent &
common seales, haue severally gyven, graunted and by the same their wri-
tinges severally confirmed all their said monasteries abbaties priories
nories colleges hospitals houses of friers, and other religious and eccle-
siastical houses and places, and all their sites circuits and poyntes of
the same, and all and synghular their manours lordshippes granges meases
landes tenementes medowes pastures rentes reuercions seruices wodes tithes
pensios porcions churches chapels aduousons patronages annuities, righ-
tes entries obediens commons leies courtis liberties priuileges and fran-
chises appertaynyng or in any wise belongyng to any such monastrie ab-
batie priorie norie college hospitall house of friers, and other religious
and ecclesiastical houses & places or to any of them, by what so ever name
or corporacion they or any of them were then named or called, and of what
order habite religion, or other kynde or qualite so ever they or any of them
then were reputed knowen or taken: To haue and to holde al the said mo-
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and other religious and ecclesiastical houses and places sites circuits pro-
prietes manours landes tenementes medowes pastures rentes reuercions
servises, and all other the premises to our said soueraigne lorde his he-
ires & successors for ever, and the same their said monasteries abbaties
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priories monies colleges hospitalles houses of friers and other religious
and ecclesiastical houses and places sites circuits p[ro]vincies manours
lordships graunges meases landes tenementes meadowes pastures rentes
reuercions seruices and other the p[re]misses, voluntarily as is aforesaid,
haue renounced lefte and forsaken, and euey of them hath renounced lefte
and forsaken. Be it therfore enacted by the kyng our soueraigne lorde, &
chelordes spirituall and tempozal, and the commons in this p[re]sent parli-
ament assembled and by auctoritee of the same, that the king our souerayn
lorde shal haue holde possede and enioye to him his heires and successors
fo[re]uer, all and singular suche late monasteries abbathies priories mon-
ies colleges hospitals houses of friers, and other religious and ecclesia-
sticall houses and places, of what kyndes natures qualitees o[er] diuersitees
of habites rules p[ro]fessions o[er] o[th]ers they o[er] any of them were named kno-
wen o[er] called, which syth the sated. iiii. day of february, the .xxv. yere
of the reygne of our said soueraigne lorde, haue ben dissolved suppressed
renounced relinquished forsaited gyven by, o[er] by any other meane come to
his hyghnes, and by the same auctoritee, and in like manner shal haue hold
possede and intore all the sites circuits p[ro]vincies manours lordshippes
granges meases landes tenementes meadowes pastures rentes reuercions
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ages churches chappelles adonours nonothacions patronages annuities
rightes interestes entres condicions commons letes courtes libertees pri-
uileges franchises and other what so euer hereditamentes, which appertey-
ned o[er] belonged to the said late monasteries abbathies priories monies col-
leges hospitalles houses of friers, and other religious o[er] ecclesiastical hou-
ses and places, o[er] to any of them, in as large and ample manner and forme
as the late abbottes priours abbeilles prioresses, and other ecclesiastical go-
uernours and gouernelles of suche late monasteries abbathies priories
monies colleges hospitals houses of friers and other religious and eccle-
siastical houses and places, had helde o[er] occupied, o[er] of ryghte oughte to
haue had holden o[er] occupied in the ryght of theyr sated late monasteries
abbathies priories monies colleges hospitalles houses of friers, o[er] other
religious o[er] ecclesiastical houses o[er] places, at the tyme of the sated dissolu-
cion suppression tenounging relinquishyng forsaytyng gyven by, o[er]
by any other maner of meane commynge of the same to the kynges hygh-
nes sythen the. iiii. day of february aboue specified.

¶ And it is further enacted by the auctoritee aboue said, that not only
all the sated late monasteries abbathies priories monies colleges hospi-
talles houses of friers and other religious and ecclesiastical houses and
places sites circuits p[ro]vincies manours lordshippes graunges meases
landes tenementes meadowes pastures rentes reuercions seruices and all
other the p[re]misses, forthwith immediatly and presently, but also all other
monasteries abbathies priories monies colleges hospitals houses of friers
and al other religious and ecclesiastical houses and places, which hereafter
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shall happen to be dissolued suppressed renounced relinquished forfeited
 gyven bp, or by any other meane come vnto the kynges highnes, and also
 all the citees, circuites, p[ro]uincies, manours lordshippes, granges, meles,
 landes tenementes, medowes, pastures, cotes, reuercions, seruices, woodes,
 tythes, pensions, po[rt]ions, personages appropiate, vicarages, chur-
 ches, chappels, aduousons, nominacions, patronages, annuities, rightes,
 interestes, entrees, condicions, commons, leetes, courtes, liberties, priu-
 leges, franchises, and other hereditamentes, what so euer they be, belöging
 or appertaining to the same, or to any of theym, whan so euer & as sone as
 they shalbe so dissolued suppressed renounced relinquished forfeited gyven bp
 or by any other meane come vnto þe kynges highnes, shalbe bested demed &
 adiudged by auctorite of this p[re]sent parliamēt, in þe very actual & real sea-
 son and possession of the kyng our said soueraigne lord his heires and suc-
 cessours for euer, in the state and condicion as they now be, & as though
 all the said late monasteries abbathies priories nories colleges hospitals
 les houses of friers, and al other religious and ecclesiastical houses & pla-
 ces so dissolued suppressed renounced relinquished forfeited gyven bp or
 come to the kynges highnes, as is aforesaid, as also the said monasteries
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 religious and ecclesiastical houses and places, whiche hereafter shall hap-
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 or come vnto the kynges highnes sites circuites p[ro]uincies manours lord-
 shoppes graunges landes tenementes and other the p[re]misses, what so euer
 they be, and euery of them were in this p[re]sent act specially and particular-
 ly rehearsed named and exp[re]ssed by exp[re]sse wordes names titles and fa-
 culties, and in theyr natures kyndes and qualitees.

¶ And be it also enacted by th[a]uctoritee aforesaid, that all the said late mo-
 nasteries abbathies priories nories colleges hospitals houses of friers
 and other religious & ecclesiastical houses and places, which ben dissolued
 suppressed renounced relinquished gyven bp, or come to the kynges highnes
 by any maner of meanes as is aforesaid, and al the manours lordshippes gra-
 nges landes tenementes & other the p[re]misses (except such therof as be come
 to the kynges handes by atteindor or atteinders of treason) And all the said
 monasteries abbathies priories nories colleges hospitals houses of friers
 and other religious and ecclesiastical houses and places, which hereafter
 shall happen to be dissolued suppressed renounced relinquished forfeited gi-
 ven bp, or come vnto the kynges highnes, & al the manours lordshippes gra-
 nges landes sites medowes pastures rentes reuercions seruices woodes
 tythes po[rt]ions pensions personages appropiate vicarages churches cha-
 pels aduousons noiacions patronages annuities rightes interestes entrees
 condicions commons leetes courtes liberties priuileges franchises & other here-
 ditamentes what so euer they be, belöging to þe same or to any of the (except su-
 che therof, which shal happē to come to þe kynges highnes by atteindor or at-
 teinders of treason) shalbe in the order lordey & gouernāce of our said soue-
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raigne lozde the kynges courtte of Augmentacions of the reuenues of his crowne, and of the chancellour officers and ministers of the same. And all the fermes issues reuenues and profits, commynge and growynge of the premises, and of euery parte therof (except before except) shall be ordered taken and receyued to the kynges vse by the sayde chancellour ministers and officers of the same court, in suche and lyke maner and fourme as the monasteries, priories, lites, circutes, manours, granges, meses, landes, tenementes, rentes, reuerstions, seruices, tithes, pensions, portions, advousons, patronages, ryghtes, entrees, condicions, and other hereditamentes late appertaynyng o: belongynge vnto the monasteries abbathies priories o: other religious houses, late by auctorite of parliament suppressed, bene ordered surueyed and gouerned. **Sauryng** to all and euery person and persons and bodies politike and their heires and successours, and the heires and successours of all and euery of theym, lother than the sayde late abbottes, priours, abbelles, prioresses, and other ecclesiasticall gouernours and gouernesses of the sayd late monasteries abbathies priories nonties colleges hospitalles houses of friers, and other religious and ecclesiasticall houses and places, and their successours, and the successour of euery of them, and suche as pretende to be founders patrones o: donours of suche monasteries abbathies priories nonties colleges hospitalles houses of friers and other ecclesiasticall houses and places, o: of any manours mesuages landes tenementes o: other hereditamentes, belongynge to the same, o: to any of theym, theyr heires and successours, and the heires and successours of euery suche founder patron o: donour, and the now abbottes priours abbelles prioresses and other ecclesiasticall gouernours and gouernesses of suche monasteries abbathies priories nonties colleges hospitalles houses of friers, and other religious and ecclesiasticall houses and places, whiche hereafter shall happen to be dissolued suppressed renounced relinquished forsaited geuen vp o: com to the kynges highnes, and such as pretend to be founders patrons o: donours of such monasteries abbathies priories nonties colleges hospitalles houses of friers and other ecclesiasticall houses and places, o: of any manours mesuages landes tenementes o: other hereditamentes to the same belongynge, o: to any of them, their heires and successours, and the heires and successours of euery of theym, all suche right title clayme interest possession rentes charges annuities leases fermes, offices, fees, liueries and lynynges, portions, pensions, corrodies, commons synodes priories and other profits, whiche they o: any of them, haue clayme ought may o: myght haue had in o: to the premises, o: to any parte o: parcell therof, in suche lyke maner fourme and condicion, to all intents respectes constructions & purposes, as if this act had neuer ben had ne made, rentes seruices, rentes lecke, and all other seruices and suites onely except.

Provided alwayes and be it enacted by the auctoritee abovesaid, that if any late abbot priour abbelle prioresse o: other ecclesiasticall gouernour o: gouer-

gouverneſſe aboueſaid, within one yere next before the diſſolacion ſuppreſſion renouncynge relinquiſhyng forſayynge giuynge by or comynge to the kynges hyghnes of his late monaſtery abbathie priorie nontie college hoſpital houſe friers, or other religious or eccleſiaſtical houſe or place, hath made any leaſe or graunt vnder his couent or common ſeale, or other wyſe, for terme of life, or for terme of yeres, of the lyte, circuitte, and pꝛocincte of his ſaied late monaſtery, abbathie, priorie, nontie, college, hoſpital, houſe of friers or other religious or eccleſiaſtical houſe or place, or of any part ther of, or of any manours, meſuages, graunges, landes, tenementes, perſonages appꝛopꝛiate, tythes, pencions, poꝛcions, or other hereditamentes, whiche belonged or appertained to his ſaied late monaſtery abbathie priorie nontie college hoſpitall houſe of friers or other religious or eccleſiaſtical houſe or place, whiche manours, meſuages, graunges, landes, tenementes, perſonages appꝛopꝛiate, tythes, pencions, poꝛcions, or other hereditamentes were not befoꝛe the ſame leaſe comonly uſed to be ſet nor let to ferme, but kept and reſerued in the manurance tyllage or occupation of the ſaied gouernour or gouerneſſe, for the mayntenaunce of hoſpitalitie and good houſe keepynge: or within one yere, as is aboueſaid, hath made any leaſe or graunt for terme of lyte, or for terme of yeres, of any manours, meſuages landes, tenementes, medowes, paſtures wooddes, perſonages appꝛopꝛiate, tythes, pencions, poꝛcions churches, chappelles, or other hereditamentes, what ſo euer they be, wherof or in the whiche any eſtate or intereſt for terme of lyfe, yere or yeres, at the tyme of making of any ſuche graunt or leaſe, than hadde his beynge or continuaunce, and than was not determined, ſyniſhed, or expꝛied, or within the tyme of one yere, as is aboueſaid, hath made any leaſe or graunt for terme of life, or for terme of yeres of any manours, meſuages, landes, tenementes, medowes, paſtures, wooddes, perſonages appꝛopꝛiate, tythes, pencions, poꝛcions, churches, chapelles, or other hereditamentes, what ſo euer they be, bypon the whiche leaſes and grauntes, the uſuall and olde rentes and termes accuſtomed to be yelden and reſerued by the ſpace of .xx. yeres nexte befoꝛe the firſte daye of this preſent parliamente is and be not therbypon reſerued and holden: Or if any ſuche gouernour or gouerneſſe hath made any bargaine or ſale of his wooddes, within one yere, as is afoꝛe limited, whiche wooddes be yet growynge and ſtandynge, that than all and euery ſuche ſcale graunt bargain and ſale of woode or woodes, ſhall be vitterlie voyde, and of none effecte.

¶ And it is alſo enacted by auctoritie afoꝛeſaid, that all feoffementes fines and recoueries, had made, knowledged, or ſuffered by any gouernour or gouerneſſe, without the kynges licence vnder his great ſeale, within one yere next befoꝛe the diſſolacion, renouncynge, relinquiſhyng, forſayynge, giuynge by, or comynge vnto the kynges hyghneſſe, of his ſaied monaſterie, abbathie, priorie, nontie, college, hoſpitall, houſe of friers, or other religious or eccleſiaſtical houſe or place, of any manours

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noys, meales, landes, tenementes, or other hereditamentes, what so euer they be, whiche the saied late abbot, priour, abbess, prioress, and other ecclesiasticall gouernour and gouernesse, or any of them, or any of their predecessors hadde or helde of the gifte, graunte, or confirmation of our saied soueraygne lord, or of any of his highenesse progenitours, or of the whiche monasteries, abbathies, priories, nonries, colledges, hospitalles, howses of friers, or other religious and ecclesiasticall houses, or places, our saied soueraygne lord was founder or patron, or whiche manoures, meales, landes, tenementes, or other hereditamentes were of the auncient or olde foundation or possession of the saied late monasteries, abbathies, priories, nonries, colledges, hospitalles, howses of friers, or other religious or ecclesiasticall houses or places, shalbe utterly voyde and of none effecte.

And it is further enacted by thautozitee abovesadpe, that if any abbot, priour, abbess, prioress, or other ecclesiasticall gouernour or gouernesse of any monasterie, abbathie, priorie, nonrie, colledge, hospitall, house of friers, or other religious or ecclesiasticall howse or place, whiche hereafter shall happen to be dissolved, suppressed, renounced, relinquished, forsapied, given by, or come to the kynges highnesse within one yere nexte before the first daie of this present parliament have made or hereafter do make any lease or grant vnder his couent or common seale, or other wise for terme of yeres, or lyfe or lyues, of the site circuite and pincte of his saied monastery abbathie priory nonry colledge hospitall howse of friers, or other religious or ecclesiasticall house or place, or of any part thereof, or of any manours, messuages, landes, tenementes, personages appropriate, tythes, pensions, porcions, or other hereditamentes belongyng or apperteynyng to his saied monasterie, abbathie, priory, nonry, college, hospitalle, house, of friers, or other religious or ecclesiasticall house or place, whiche manours, meales, graunges, landes, tenementes, personages appropriate, tythes, pensions, porcions, or other hereditamentes, what so euer they be, were not before the same lease commonly used to be sette nor lette to ferme, but kept and reserved in the manurance tyllage or occupation of the saied gouernour or gouernesse for the mayntenaunce of hospitalitee, and good howse keepyng, or now be in the manurance tyllage or occupation of the saied gouernours or gouernesse for the mayntenaunce of hospitalitee and good howse keepyng, or within one yere nexte before the firste daie of this presente parliament, hath made, or hereafter shall make any lease or graunte for terme of lyfe, or for terme of yeres, of any manours, meales, landes, tenementes, medowes, pastures, woodes, personages appropriate, tythes, pensions, porcions, churches, chapelles, or other hereditamentes, what so euer they be, whereof and in the whiche any estate or intereste for terme of lyfe, yere or yeres, atte the tyme of the makinge of any suche graunte or lease than hadde his being or continuance, or hereafter shall haue his being or continuance;

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and than was not determined finished or expired, or at the tyme of any suche lease to be made shall not be determined finished or expired, or within one yere nexte before the fyfthe day of this presente parliamente, hath made or hereafter shall make any lease or graunte for terme of yere, or for terme of yeres, of any manours, messuages, landes, tenementes, medowes, pastures, woddes, personages appropriate, tythes, penyons, portions, churches, chapels, or other hereditamentes, what so ever they be, upon the whiche leases and grauntes, the visuale and oide rentes and services accustomed to be yelden and reserved by the space of .xx. yeres nexte before the sayd fyfthe day of this presente parliamente is or be not, or hereafter shall not be therupon reserved and yelden. *old yere* **¶** If any suche gouvernour or gouvernesse of any suche monastery, abbathye, priory, nunnery, colledge, hospitall, howse of friers, or other religious or ecclesiasticall house or place whiche hereafter shall happen to be dissolved, suppressed, renounced, relinquished, forsaited, gyven vpppe, or comme to the kynges highenesse, within one yere nexte before the fyfthe day of this presente parliamente, hath made, or hereafter shall make any bargayne or sale of his woddes, whiche woddes be yet growinge and standynge, that than all and every suche lease graunt bargayne and sale of wodde or woddes, shall be utterly voyde, and of none effecte.

¶ And it is also enacted by thauentie aforesaid, that all feoffmentes fines and recoveryes hadde, made, knowleged, or suffered, within one yere nexte before the fyfthe day of this presente parliamente, or hereafter to be hadde made knowleged or suffered by any gouvernour or gouvernesse of any monastery, abbathye, priory, nunnery, college, hospitall, howse of friers, or other religious or ecclesiasticall house or place, whiche hereafter shall happen to be dissolved, suppressed, renounced, relinquished, forsaited gyven vpppe, or comme to the kynges highenesse, withoute the kynges licence vnder his greatte seale, of any manours, messuages, landes, tenementes, or other hereditamentes, what so ever they be, whiche the said abbottes, priours, abbes, prioresses, and other ecclesiasticall gouvernours and gouvernesse, whiche hereafter shall happen to be dissolved, suppressed relinquished forsaited gyven by or come vnto the kynges highenes, as is aforesaid, or any of them, or any of their predecessours hadde or helde, or haue and holde of the gifte, graunte, or consignacion of oure said soueraigne lord, or of any of his highenesse progenitours, or of the whiche monasteries, abbathies, priories, nunnies, colleges, hospitallies, howses of friers, or other religious or ecclesiastical howses or places, oure sayde soueraygne lord is founder or patrone, or whiche manours, messuages, landes, tenementes, or other hereditamentes, were or be of the auncient or olde foundacion or possession of the said monasteries, abbathies, priories, nunnies, colleges, hospitallies, howses of friers, or other religious or ecclesiastical houses or places, shall be utterly voyde and of none effecte.

Provided alway, & be it enacted by auctoritie abovesaid, that if any abbot priour abbess or prioress, or other governour or governess abovesaid, within one yere next before the date of this present parliament, or of any late abbote, priour, abbess, prioress, or other late governour or governess abovesaid, within one yere next before any such dissolution, suppression, renouncynge, relinquishynge, forsaitynge, giuynge uppe, or commynge to the kynges highenesse of the premises, or of any parcell thereof, as is aforesaid, haue made any demyse, lease, or graunte, to any person or persones for terme of yeres, of any manours, messes, landes, tenementes, personages appropriate, tythes, pencions, porcions, or other hereditamentes aforesaid, whiche persone or persones at the tyme of the said demyse, lease, or graunte, hadde and helde the same to terme for terme of yeres than not expired, that thanne the said persone or persones, to whome any suche demyse, lease, or graunte hath been so made shall haue and holde the same for the terme of. xxi. yeres namely frome the tyme of the makynge of the said demyse, lease, or graunt, yf so many yeres be by the same demyse lease or graunte specified limited and exprelled, or els for so many yeres as in suche demyse lease or graunt ben exprelled, so that the olde rent be ther vpon reserved and so that the same lease or leases excede not. xxi. yeres. This acte or any thyng therein conteyned to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided also, and be it enacted by thaurtoziter abovesaid, that if any abbote priour abbess or prioress, or other late governour or governess within one yere next before any suche dissolution suppression renouncynge relinquishynge forsaitynge giuynge by or commynge vnto the kynges highenesse of the premises, or of any parcell thereof, as is aforesaid, haue made any demyse lease or graunt to any person or persones for terme of lyfe or lyues of any manours messes landes tenementes personages appropriate tythes pencions porcions, or other hereditamentes aforesaid, whiche person or persons or any of them, at the tyme of the said demyse lease or graunte hadde and helde the same for terme of lyfe or lyues, or for terme of yeres, than not expired: that than the sayde person or persons, to whom any suche lease or graunte hath bene so made, shall haue and holde the same for terme of thei lyfe or lyues, so that the olde rent be there vpon reserved: This acte or any other thyng therein conteyned to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

Provided also and be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that all and singular leases and grauntes, made by cove to any person or persons of any of the sayde messuages, landes, tenementes, personages appropriate, tythes, pensions, porcions, or other hereditamentes aforesaid, for terme of lyfe or lyues, whiche by the custome of the countrey, hath ben bled to be demysed, letten, or graunted by cove of courtte rolle, shall be good and effectuell in the lawe, so that the olde rent be reserved by and vpon every suche lease and leases: this acte or any thyng therein conteyned to the

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to the contrary in any wise not withstanding.

Provided alwaie and be it further enacted by thautozitee abovesaid, that all leases heretofore made of any the premises by auctozitee of our soweraygne lord the kynges court of augmentacions, of the revenues of his crowne, and all such leases, feoffementes and woode sales, made by the said governours or gouvernelles, or any of theym, under their count seales, or under the count or common seale of any of theym, within one perye before the dissolution suppression renounging rebynounging forsaytynge gypunge by or commynge to the kynges highnes, of the said monasteries abbathies priories nonries colleges hospitalles houses of friers or other religious or ecclesiasticall houses or places, whiche sayd leases grauntes feoffementes & woode sales have ben examined enrolled decreed or affirmed in our sayd soweraygne lord the kynges court of augmentacions, and the decree of the same put in writynge sealed with the seale of the said court of augmentacions, shall be good and effectuall accordyng to the same decree: any clause or acte, heretofore in this present acte to the contrary not withstanding.

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Provided also, and be it further enacted by thautozitee abovesaid, that all and every person and persons their heires and assignes, whiche liven

the said. iiii. day of Februarie, by licence, pardone confirmation release assente or consent of our said soueraygne lord the kyng, vnder his great seale heretofore gauen had or made, or hereafter to be had or made, haue obtained or purchased by indenture fyne feoffementes recouerye or other wyse of the said late abbottes, priours, abbesses, prioresses, or other gouernours or gouernesses of any suche monasteries, abbathies, priories, nontries, colleges, hospitalles, houses of friers, or other religious or ecclesiasticall houses or places, any monasteries, priories, colleges, hospitalles, manours, landes, tenementes, medowes, pastures, woodes, churches, chapelles, personages, tythes, pencions, porcions, or other hereditamentes, shall haue and enioye the same, accordeynge to suche wrytynges and assurances as bene therof before the daye of this presente parlyamente, or hereafter shall be had or made.

¶ Saupng to all and euery person and persones and bodyes polityke, their heires and successours, and to the heires and successours of euery of them other than the said late abbottes, abbesses, priours, prioresses, and other gouernours and gouernesses and theyr successours, and the successours of euery of them, and suche as pretende to be founders, patrons, or donours of the said monasteries, abbathies, priories, nontries, colleges, hospitalles and other religious or ecclesiasticall howses or places, or of any of them, or of any manours, mesages, landes, tenementes, or other hereditamentes late belongynge to the same, or to any of them, and theyr heires, successours, and the heires and successours of euery suche founder patrone, or donour, all suche tpyghte, tyle, interest, possession, rentes, annuities, cominodities, offices, fees, lpyeries, and lpynges, porcions, pensions, corrodies, synodes, priories, and other profites, whiche they or any of them haue ought or moughte haue had in or to any the sayde monasteries, abbathies, priories, colleges, hospitalles, manours, landes, tenementes, rentes, seruices, reuertions, tythes, pensions, porcions, or other hereditamentes, at any time before any suche purchas, indentures, fines, feoffementes recoueries or other laufull meane betwene any suche parties had or made, as is abovesaid, this acte or any thpyng therein conteyned to the contrary not withstandyng.

¶ And where our said soueraygne lord the. iiii. daye of Februarie, the sayde. xxvii. yere of the reygne of our sayd soueraygne lord, hath opteyned and purchased as well by exchaunges as by gyftes bargaynes fyne feoffementes recoueries dedes enroled and other wyse of diuers and sundry persons many sundry and diuers honours castels manours landes tenementis medowes pastures woodes rentes reuertys seruices and other hereditamentes, and hath not only paid diuers and sundry great summes of money for the same, but also hath gauen and graunted for the same, vnto dyuers and sundry persons dyuers and sundry manours landes tenementes and hereditamentes, and other recompenses in and for full satisfaccion of all suche honours castels manours landes tenementes rentes reuertions

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ons seruices and other his hereditamentes, by his hyghnes obteyned oꝝ had as is aboue saied. Be it therfoꝛe enacted by the auctoritee aboue saied, that our saied souerayne loꝛde the kyng, his heires and successours, shall haue holde possede and inioye all suche honours castles manours landes tenementes and other hereditamentes as his hyghnes sphe the saied. iiii. day of february, the. xxvii. yere aboue saied, hath obteyned and had by waie of exchaunge bargayne purchase oꝝ other what so euer meane oꝝ meanes accoꝛdyng to the true meanyng and intent of his hyghnesse bargayne exchaunge oꝝ purchas, misrecitall mysnamynge oꝝ non recitall oꝝ not namyng of the saied honours castelles manours landes tenementes and other hereditamentes compyled oꝝ mencioned in the bargains oꝝ wrytyngs made betwene the kynges hyghnes and any other partie oꝝ parties: oꝝ of the towne oꝝ counties, where the saied honours castelles manours landes tenementes and hereditamentes lye and bene, oꝝ any other matter oꝝ cause what so euer it be in any wyse not withstandyng.

¶ Saying to all and euery person and persons, and to thei? heires, bodies politike and corporate, and to thei? successours, and to euery of them, other than suche person and persons, and their heires and their wives, and the wyues of euery of them, bodies politike and corporate and their successours and euery of them, of whome the kynges hyghnes hath obtayned by exchange gifte bargain fine feoffement recovery dede enrolled o? otherwise, any such honours castels manours landes tenementes and other hereditamentes as is aforesaid, all suche righte title hie intereste possession rentes charges annuities comodities fees and other profittes, (rentes seruices and rentes seekes only except) which they o? any of them haue might o? ought to haue had in o? to the p?misses so obtained and had, o? in o? to any parcell thereof, yf this acte had neuer be had no? made, this p?sente acte, o? any thyng therein contayned to the contrary not withstanding.

And where it hath pleased the kynges highnes of his moste abundante grace and goodnes, aswell vpon diuers and sundry consideracions his maiestee specially mouyng, as also other wise to haue bargained solde chaunged oꝝ gyuen and granted by his graces seueral letters patentes indentures oꝝ other wrytynges, aswell vnder his highnesse gret seale, as vnder the seale of his highnesse Duchy of Lancaster, and the seale of the office of the augmentacions of his crowne, vnto diuers and sundry of his louyng and obedient subiectes, diuers and sundry honours castelles manours monasteries abbatheies priories landes tenementes rentes reuerends seruices personages appropriated aduousons libertees tithes oblations porcions pensions franchises priuileges liberties and other hereditamentes commodities and profittes, in fee simple fee taylor for terme of lyfe. oꝝ for terme of years: for auoydinge of whiche said letters patentes and of the contentes of the same, diuers sundry and many ambiguities doubtes & questios might hereafter arise be moued and stirred, aswel for misrecitall oꝝ non recital, as for dyuers other matters thinges oꝝ causes to be alleged objected oꝝ inuented

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ted agaynst the saied letters, patenttes, as also for lacke of findyng of offices or inquisitions, wherby the title of his highnes therein ought to haue bene founde, before the makynge of the same letters patenttes, or for miste: citall or nontecitall of leases, as well of recorde as not of recorde, or for lacke of the certayntee of the values, or by telon or misnamyng of the honours castelles manours monasteries abbathies priories landes tenementes and other hereditamentes comprised and mentioned within the same letters patenttes, or of the towne and counties, where the same honours castelles manours monasteries abbathies priories landes tenementes tenes and other hereditamentes lyen & bene, as for diuers and sundrie other suggestions and surmises, whiche hereafter myght happen to be moued surmised and procured agaynst the same letters patenttes: al be it the wordes in effect conteyned in the saied letters patenttes be accordyng to the true intent and meanyng of his most royal maiestee. Be it therfore enacted by the auctoritee of this present parlyament, that as well all and euery the said letters patenttes indentures or other writynges and euery of them, vnder the seale or scales aboue said, or of any of them, made or graunted by the kynges highnes, wthen the saied. iiii. day of february, the saied. xxvii. yere of his most noble regne as all and singular other his graces letters patentes indentures or other writynges to be had made or granted to any person or persons within thre yeres next after the makynge of this present act of any honours castels manours monasteries abbathies priories nozies colleges hospitals houses of friers or of other religious or ecclesiasticall houses or places sitcs circuittes pocietes landes tenementes personages tythes pensions porcions aduousons nominacions and all other hereditamentes and possessions, of what kynde nature or qualitee, soo euer they be, or by what so euer name or names they or any of them be named known or reputed, hall stande and be good effectuall and auayleable in the lawe of this realme to all respectes purposes constructions and intentes agaynst his maiestee his heyes and successours, without any other licence dispensation or tollerance of the kynges hyghnesse his heyes and successours, or of any other person or persons what so euer they be, for any thyng or thynges conteyned or hereafter to be conteyned in any suche letters patenttes indentures or other writynges: any cause consideration or thyng materiall to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

¶ Sauyng to all and singular persones, bodies politike and corporate, theyr heyes and successours, & the heyes and successours of euery of them other then his highnes his heyes and successours, and the saied gouernours and gouernesses and their successours donours founders and patrons afozenamed and their heyes and successours, and all other persons clamyng in theyr ryghtes or to theyr ble, or in the ryght or to thuse of any of them, all suche right title clayme interest possession reuercion remaindre offices annuitees rentcharges and commons, whiche they or any of theym haue ought or mought haue had in or to any of the saied honours castels manours

manours, monasteries, abbathies, priories, landes, tenementes, and o^rther hereditamentes, in the said letters patentes made, o^r hereafter to be made, compysed at any tyme before the makinge of the said o^r suche letters patentes: This act o^r any thyng therein conteyned to the contrary not withstanding.

And where diverse and sundry abbottes, priours, abbes, prioresses, and other ecclesiastical governours and gouvernasses of the said late monasteries abbathies priories nonries colleges hospitals houses of friers, and other religious and ecclesiastical houses & places, have had possessed and enioyed diverse and sundry personages appropriated tithes pensions and porcions, and also were acquitted and discharged of and for the paiement o^r paymtes of tithes to be paid out o^r for their said monasteries abbathies priories nonries colleges hospitalles houses of friers, & other religious and ecclesiastical houses and places manours messuages landes tenementes and hereditamentes: Be it therfore enacted by th^e auctorite above said, that as well the kyng our soverayne lord, his heires and successours as all and every such, person and persons, their heires and assigns, whiche have o^r hereafter shal have any monasteries abbathies priories nonries colleges hospitals houses of friers, o^r other ecclesiastical houses o^r places sites circuits procinctes of the same, o^r of any of theym, o^r any manours messuages, personages appropriate, tithes, pensions porcions, o^r other hereditamentes what so ever they be, whiche belonged o^r apperteyned, o^r whiche nowe belonge o^r appertayne unto the said monasteries abbathies priories nonries colleges hospitals houses of friers, o^r other religious & ecclesiastical houses o^r places, o^r unto any of them, shal have hold retayne kepe and enioy as well the said personages appropriate tithes pensions and porcions as the said monasteries abbathies priories nonries colleges hospitals houses of friers and other religious and ecclesiastical houses and places sites circuits procinctes manours messes landes tenementes and other hereditamentes, what so ever they be, and every of theym, according to their estates and titles, discharged and acquitted of paiement of tithes as freely and in as large and ample manner as the said late abbottes priours abbes prioresses and other ecclesiastical governours and gouvernasses, o^r any of them hadde helde occupied, possessed, used, retayned o^r enioyed the same, o^r any parcell therof at the daies of their dissolution suppression renuncyng relinquisshyng forsaytunge geyng up o^r comyng to the kynges byghnes of suche monasteries abbathies priories nonries colleges hospitals house of friers, o^r other religious o^r ecclesiastical houses o^r places, o^r at the date of the dissolution suppression renuncyng relinquisshyng geyng up o^r comyng to the kynges byghnes of any of them, this acte o^r any thyng therein conteyned to the contrary not withstanding.

Shewing to the kynges highnes his heires and successours all and all manner of rentes services and other duties, what so ever they be, as if this acte had never ben had nor made.

And

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p^rsonage app^rte
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*Discharged of
Tithes*

*Saving to the
Kyng al tithes*

ANNO XXXI.

And be it further enacted by auctoritee of this present parliament, that
suche of the saied late monasteries abbathies priories nories colledges
hospitals houses of freres, and other religious and ecclesiasticall houses
and places, and all churches and chapels, to theym or any of theym belong-
gng, which befoze the dissolucion suppressyon renouncyng relinquishyng
forfaytyng gruyng by or comyng vnto the kynges highnes, were exempted
from the visitacion or visitacions, and all other iurisdiction of the ordinary
or ordinaries, within whose diocesse they were situate or sette, shall frome
hensforth be within the iurisdiction and visitacion of the ordinary or ordi-
naries, within whose diocesse they or any of theym be situate and set, or
within the iurisdiction and visitacion of suche person or persones, as by
the kynges highnes shalbe limited or appoynted: This acte or any other
exemption libertee or iurisdiction to the contrary not withstanding.
And where befoze this tyme it hath pleased the kynges maiestee, at the
contemplacion and humble peticion of the ryght noble Thomas duke of
Norff. to gyve his rovall assent of lycence by his graces woide, without
any maner of letters patentes or other writyng, to purchase and receyue to
hym & to his heires for ever, of William flathery, late abbot of the mona-
stery of Dinton, in the countie of Suff. and couent of the same late mo-
nastery now beynge dissolued, all the same monastery togyther, with all
and singular manours, lordshippes, landes, tenementes, woodes, wa-
ters commons courtes letes advousons patronages personages bycara-
ges chauntries free chapels tithes porcions of tythes pensions annuities
rentes suites services reuerclons remaindres, and all other thynges, whiche
were the hereditamentes or the posselions of the saied late monasteri-
ty, where so euer they laye or were within the realme of Englande. And
in likewyse our saied soueraygne lord, gaue lyke lycence by his graces
woide vnto the ryghte honourable George lord Cobham, to pourchase
and receyue to hym & to his heires for ever, of the late matter and byethem
of the colledge or chauntry of Cobham, in the countie of Kent, now be-
yng utterly dissolued, the site of the same colledge or chauntry, and all
and singular the hereditamentes and posselions, as well tempoall as
ecclesiasticall, where so euer they lay or were within the realme of Englad.
Be it therfoze enacted by auctoritee of this present parliament, that the
acte aboue written, or any thyng therein conteyned, shall not be in any
wyse prejudiciall or hurtfull to the saied Duke, and lord Cobham, or to
eithur of them, or to the heires or assignes of eithur of them: but that the
same duke and lord Cobham, and either of them sondrily, and the heires &
assignes of either of them, shall and may haue hold receiue and enioye the
premisses by them sondrily purchased or receyued, accordyng to the purpo-
ses and effectes of such evidences writynges & conuicances, as they or any
of them sondrily haue caused to be deuised and made to theym, or to thei-
res for the same / savinge alwaye and reseruyng to all and singular
persons and bodies politike, and to their heires & successours, other than
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Duke of Norfolk
lord Cobham

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the saied late abbotte and couent, and theire successours, and the saied late maister and betherne, and theire successours, and the founders of the same monasterie, or of the saied college or chauntie, and the heires of either of them, and all donours, graunters, or augmētters of them, or of eyther of them, and the heires and assignes of eyther of them, all such ryghtes titles possessions rentes seruices fees offices annuities corrodies lyaues leases and al other their such interestes profits and comodities, as they or any of them had shoulde or ought to haue, of to or in any of the premises sundry purchased or reteined by the saied duke or lord Cobham, if this present acte had neuer ben had or made, any thyng in the same acte to the contrary being in any wise not withstanding.

AN ACTE FOR ABOLISHYNGE OF DIVERSITIE OF OPINIONS IN CERTAINE

ARTICLES CONCERNINGE CHRIS- TEN RELIGION.

CAP. XIIIIL



HERE THE KINGES MOST excellent maiestee is by godes law supreme head immediatly vnder him of this hole church and congregacion of England, intendinge the conseruacion of the same church and congregacion in a true sincere and vniforme doctrine of Christes religion, callinge also to his blessed and most gracious remembrance, as well the great and quiet assurance, prosperous increace, and other innumerable commodities, whiche haue euer insued come and folowed of Concoorde agreement and vnitie in opinions, as also the manyfolde perils daungers and inconueniences, whiche haue heretofore in many places and regyons, especially of matters of Christen religion: And therfore desiringe, that suche an vnitie myght and shoulde bee charitably established in all thynges touchyng and concernyng the same, as the same so being established myght chiefly bee to the honour of almyghtie God, the veray authoure and fountaine of all true vnitie and sincere concoorde, and consequently rebounde to the common welthe of this his hyghnes moste noble realme, and of all his louyng subiectes, and other resyautes and inhabytauntes of or in the same: hath therfore caused and commaunded this his mooste hygh court of Parlyamente, for sundry and many vrgente causes and consideracions, to bee at this tyme summoned, and also a synode and conuocation of all the archebyschoppes, bishoppes, and other lerned men of the clergy of this his realme, to be in libe maner assembled.

And

And for as muche as in the saied parliamente Synode and conuocation there were certeyn articles matters and questions proponed and set forth, touchyng Chyristen religion, that is to saie. First whether in the moste blessed Sacrament of thalcer remaineth after the consecracion, the substance of breade and wyne, or no. Secondely, whether it be necessary by goddis lawe, that all men shoulde be communicate with bothe kyndes or no. Thirdely, whether priestes, that is to saie men dedicate to God by priesthode, may by the lawe of God, marrye after, or no. Fourthely, whether bove of chastitie or wydowhed, made to God aduisedly by man or woman, be by the lawe of God to be obserued, or no. Fiftely, whether priuate Masses stande with the lawe of God, and be to be vled and continued in the church and congregacion of Englande, as thynges, wherby good chyristen people maie and do receyue bothe godly consolacion, and holsome benefytes, or no. Sixtly, whether Iuricular confession is necessary to be retained, continued, vled, and frequented in the churche, or no. The kyniges most copall maiestie, moste prudently ponderynge and considerynge, that by occasion of variable and sundry opynions and iudgementes of the saied articles, great discorde and variaunce hath arisen, as well amongeste the clergy of this his realme, as amongst a great number of the bulgare people, his louyng subiectes of the same: And beyng in a full hope and trust, that a full and perfecte resolucion of the saied articles, shulde make a perfecte concorde and vnitee generally amonges all his louyng and obediēt subiectes, of his moste excellent goodnes not onely commaunded, that the saied articles shulde deliberately and aduisedly, by his saied archbishops, bishops, and other lerned men of his clergy, be debated, argued, and reasoned, and their opynions therein to be vnderstande declared & known, but also moste graciouslye boughsaied: in his owne princely person, to discende and come into his saied highe courte of Parliament and council, and there lyke a prince of moste hygh prudence, and no lesse lernynge, opened and declared many thinges of high lernyng and great knowlege, touchyng the saied articles matters and questions for an vnitee to be had in the same. wherbyon after a great and longe deliberate and aduised disputacion and consultacion had and made, concernyng the saied articles, as well by the consent of the kynges hyghnesse, as by thassent of the Lordes spirituall and tempozall, and other lerned men of his clergy in theyr conuocation, and by the consent of the comons in this present parliament assembled, it was and is fynally resolued accorded and agreed in maner & fourme folowyng. That is to saie. First, that in the moste blessed Sacrament of the altare, by the strength and efficacy of Chyristes myghty word (it beyng spoken by the priest) is present really vnder the forme of breade & wyne, the naturall body & bloud of our sauour Jesu Chyriste, conueined of the virgen Mary: And that after the consecracion there remaineth no substance of breade or wyne, nor any other substance, but the substance of Chyriste, God and man.

Secondly

Secondly, that communion in both kindes, is not necessary *Ad salutem*, by the law of God to al persons, And that it is to be beleued and not doubted of, but that in the fleshe, vnder fourme of bꝛed, is the very bloud: and with the bloude, vnder fourme of wyne, is the very fleshe aswell aparte, as thoughe they were both together.

Thirdely, that priestes, after the order of priesthode receyued, as afoꝛe, maie not mary by the lawe of God.

Fourthly, that vowes of chastitee oꝛ wydowheade, by man oꝛ woman, made to God aduisedly, ought to be obserued by the lawe of God: and that it exempteth them frome other liberties of Chꝛisten people, whiche without that they myght enioye.

Fiftely, that it is mete and necessary, that priuate Masses be continued and admitted in this the kynges Englyshe church and congregacion, as wherby good Chꝛisten people, ordering them selves accordingly, do receyue both godly and goodly consolacions and benefytes: and it is agreable also to goddes lawe.

Sixtly, that Articulaꝛ confession is expedient and necessary to be receyued and continued bled and frequented in the church of God. Foꝛ the whiche most godly study payne and trauaile of his maiestee, and determination and resolution of the pꝛemisses, his moste humble & obedient subiertes, the lordes spirituall and tempozall, and the commons in this pꝛesent parliament assembled, not onely rendre and gyue vnto his highnes their moste hygh and hartty thanks, and thinke them selves most bounden, to praise foꝛ the longe continuance of his graces most royall estate, but also beyng desyrous, that his moste godly interprise maie be well accomplished and bꝛought to a full ende and perfeccion, and so establisshed, that the same myght be to the honour of god, and after to the common quiete vniuite and concord to be had in the hole body of this realme foꝛ euer. Most humbly be sechen his royall maiestee, that the resolution and determination aboue wꝛitten of the saied articles, maie be establisshed and perpetually perspiced by auctoritee of this pꝛesent parliament. It is therfoꝛe ordeyned and enacted by the kyng our souerayne lord, the lordes spirituall and tempozall, and the commons in this pꝛesent parliament assembled, and by the auctoritee of the same, that yf any person oꝛ persons within this realme of Englande, oꝛ any other the kynges dominions, after the .xii. days of July next comynge, by woꝛde, wꝛytyng, unprintyng, certyfying, oꝛ in any other wyse, do publyshe, pꝛeache, teache, say, asserme, declare, dispute, argue, oꝛ holde any opinion, that in the blessed Sacrament of the altare, vnder fourme of bꝛed and wyne (after the consecracion therof) there is not pꝛesent, really, the naturally body & bloude of our sauour Iesu Chꝛist, conceived of the virgin Maꝛie oꝛ that after the saide consecracion, there remaineth any substance of bꝛed oꝛ wyne oꝛ any other substance, but the substance of Chꝛist: God and man. Oꝛ after the same aboue saied, publyshe, pꝛeache, teache, saye, asserme, declare, dispute, argue, oꝛ holde opinion, that in the fleshe,

vnder foume of bred, is not the very bloud of Chyste. Or that with the
 bloude, vnder the foume of wine, is not the very fleshe of Chyste aswell a-
 parte as though they were both together. Or by any of the meenes aboue
 saied, or other wyse, preache, teache, declare, or asserme the saied Sacra-
 ment to be of other substance, than is aboue saied, or by any meane con-
 tempte depraue, or dispise the saied blessed Sacramente: that then euery
 suche person and persons, so offendynge, they, aidours, conforters counsa-
 iours, consentours, and abettours, therein, beyng thereof conuicted in
 foume vnder written, by the auctoritee aboue saied, shalbe demed and ad-
 iudged heretikes. And that euery suche offence, shalbe adiuaged manifeste
 heresy. And that euery suche offendour and offendours, shal therfore haue
 and suffre iudgements execution prime and peynes of deth, by way of bur-
 nyng without any abutacion clergy of sepulture, to be therfore permit-
 ted had allowed admitted, or suffered. And also shal therfore forsaite and
 lese to the kynges highenes, his heires and successours, all his or their ho-
 nours, manours, castelles, landes, tenementes, rentes, reuertions, serui-
 ces, possessions, and all other his or their hereditamentes goodes and cat-
 tals, termes and freholdes, what so euer they be, which any suche offender
 or offenders shal haue at the tyme of any suche offence or offences, commit-
 ted or done, or at any tyme after, as in any cases of highe treason.
 And furthermore be it enacted by the auctoritee of this present parlia-
 ment, that if any person or persons, after the sayd xii. day of July, preache
 in any sermon or collacion, openly made to the kynges people: or teache in
 any common schole, or to other congregacion of people: or beyng called
 before suche iudges, and accordyng to suche foume of the lawe, as here-
 after shalbe declared, do obstinately asserme, vpholde, maynteyne, or de-
 fende: that the communion of the saied blessed Sacrament in bothe kynde-
 des, that is to saie, in foume of bred and also of wyne, is necessary for the
 helthe of mans soule, to be geuen or ministred, or ought or shulde be geuen
 or ministred to any person in bothe kyndes. Or that it is necessary so to be
 receyued or taken by any person (other than by priestes beyng at Masse,
 and consecratyng the same) Or that any man, after the order of priesthode
 receyued (as afoze saied) may mary, or make contracte matrimonye. Or
 that any man or woman, which aduisedly hath vowed, or professed, or shal
 vowe or profess chastite or wydowhed, may mary, or make contracte ma-
 trimony. Or that priuate Masses be not lawfull, or nor laudable, or shuld
 not be celebrated had nor vsed in this realme, nor be not agreeable to the la-
 wos of God. Or that auricular confession is not expedient and necessarye
 to be reteyned and continued, vsed & frequented in the churche of God. Or
 if any priest after the sayd xii. day of July, or any other man or woman,
 whiche aduisedly hath vowed, or after the sayd date, aduisedly do vowe
 chastite or wydowhed, do actually mary or contracte matrimony with any
 person, that then all and euery person and persons, so preaching teaching,
 obstinately assermyng, vpholdyng, maynteynyng, or defendyng, or ma-
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kynges marriage or contract of matrimony, as is above specified, be and shalbe, by auctoritee above written, demed and iudged a felon and felons. And that every offender in the same, being therfore duly convicted or atteynted by the lawes vnder written, shall therfore suffer paynes of death, as in cases of felony, without any benefite of clergy, or privilege of church or sanctuary, to him or her to be allowed in that behalfe. And shall forfeite all his or her landes and goodes, as in cases of felony. And that it shall be lawfull to the patrone or patrones of any maner of benefice, which any suche offendour at the tyme of his saied conviction or atteynder had, to present one other incumbent therunto, as yf the same person, so convicted or atteynted, had bene bodily deceased.

¶ Also be it enacted, by the auctoritee aforesaid, that if any persone or persones, after the said. xii. daie of July, by word, writing, printing, cyphering, or otherwise than is above reherced, publicly declare or holde opinion, that the saied communion of the blessed Sacrament, in both kyndes aforesaid, is necessary for the helth of mans soule to be given or ministered in both kyndes, and so ought or shulde be given and ministered to any person, or ought or shulde be so in bothe kyndes receyved or taken by any person, other than by priestes beinge at Masse, and consecrating the same, as is aforesaid. Or that any man, after the order of priesthode receyved, as is aforesaid, maie marie, or may make contract of matrimony. Or that any man or woman, which advisedly hath made or shall make a vowe to God of chastitee or wydowhed, maie marie, or maie make contract of matrimony. Or that private Masses, be not lawfull or not laudable, or shulde not be celebrated had nor used, nor be agreable to the lawes of God. Or that Auricular confession is not expediente and necessary to be receyved and continued, used and frequented in the churche of God: every person, being for any suche offence bewely convicted or atteynted by the lawes vnder written, shal forfeite and lose to the kyng our soueraigne lord, all his goodes and cattalles for ever, and also the profits of al his landes tenementes annuities fees and offices during his life, and all his benefices & spirituall promotions shall be utterly voyde: And also shall suffer imprisonment of his body at the will and pleasure of our saied soueraygne lord the kyng. And if any suche person or persons, being ones convict of any the offences mencioned in this article, as is above said, do afterwarde eftsones offende in any of the same, and be therof accused indited or presented and convict againe by auctoritee of the lawes vnder written: that then every suche person and persons, so being twice convict and atteynted of the saied offences, or of any of them, shall be adiudged a felon and felons, and shall suffer iudgement execution and paynes of death, losse and forfeiture of landes and goodes, as in cases of felony, without any privilege of clergy or sanctuary to be in any wise permitted admitted or allowed in that behalfe.

¶ Be it further enacted, by the auctoritee above said, that if any person,

which is oꝛ hath bene a pꝛiest befoꝛe this pꝛesent parliament, oꝛ during the time of session of the same hath married, and hath made any contract of matrimony with any woman, oꝛ that any man oꝛ woman, whiche befoꝛe the making of this acte, aduisedly hath bowed chastite oꝛ widowheade, befoꝛe this pꝛesent parliament, oꝛ during the session of the same, hath married oꝛ contracte matrimony with any person: that than every suche marriage and contracte of matrimony shalbe utterly voyde and of none effect: And that the ordinaries, within whose diocesse oꝛ iurisdiccions the person oꝛ persones so married oꝛ contracted, is oꝛ be resident oꝛ abydyng, shall frome tyme to tyme make separacion and deuozces of the said marriages and contractes.

¶ And further it is enacted by the auctozitee abovesaid, that yf any man, which is oꝛ hath bene pꝛiest, as is aforesaid, at any tyme from oꝛ after the said. xii. date of July next comyng, do carnally kepe oꝛ vse any woman, to whom he is oꝛ hath bene married, oꝛ with whom he hath contracted matrimony, oꝛ openly be conuersant, kepe company and familiarite with any suche woman, to the euill example of other persons: every suche carnal vse copulacion open conuersacion keepyng of company and familiarite, be and shalbe demed and adiuged felony, as well against the man as the woman, and that every suche person so offendyng, shalbe enquired of, tried, punished suffre lose and forfait al and every thyng and thynges as other felons made and declared by this act, and as in case of felony as is aforesaid.

¶ Be it also further enacted by the auctozitee aforesaid (not giuyng advantage oꝛ detriment to any article afoꝛe rehearsed) that yf any man, which is oꝛ hath bene pꝛiest, oꝛ hereafter shalbe, at any tyme after the said. xii. day of July, do carnally vse and accustome any woman, oꝛ kepe her as his concubine, as by payenge foꝛ hir bourde, mainteinyng her with money array oꝛ any other gyftes oꝛ meanes, to the euill example of other persons: that than every such offender beyng therof duely conuicted oꝛ attaynted by the lawes mencioned in this acte, shal forfait and lose all his goodes and chattelles, benefices, pꝛebendes, and other spirituall pꝛomociōs and dignities, and also shall haue and suffre imprisonment of his body at the kynges wil and pleasure. And that every of the said benefices pꝛebendes and other pꝛomociōs and dignities shalbe to all intentes and purposes utterly voyde, as if the said offendour had resigned oꝛ perimuted. And if any such offender oꝛ offenders at any tyme after the said conuiccion oꝛ attaynder, cōfessors committe do oꝛ perpetrate the said offences, oꝛ any of them, next afoꝛe rehearsed, and be therof dewely conuicted oꝛ attaynted by the lawes aforesaid: that than all and every suche offence and offences shal be demed and adiuged felony: and the offender oꝛ offenders therein shall suffre paynes of death, and lose and forfait all his and theyꝝ goodes, landes, and tenementes, as in cases of felony, without hauynge any benefyte of clergy oꝛ sanctuary.

¶ And be it further enacted by the auctozitee aforesaid, that those women, with

with whome all and singular of the foresaid prestres shall in any of the foresaid wayes haue to do with, or carnally knowe, as is aforesaid, shall haue lyke punishment as the prestres.

And be it further enacted, by the auctoritee abovesaid, that if any person or persones, at any tyme hereafter, contempne or contemptuously refuse deny or abstaine to be confessed at the tyme commonly accustomed with in this realme and church of Englands, or contempne or contemptuously refuse deny or abstaine to receiue the holy and blessed sacrament abovesaid, at the tyme commonly vsed and accustomed for the same: that than euery suche offender, being therof duely convicted or attainted by the lawes vnder wyten, shall suffer suche imprisonment, and make suche fine and ransome to the kynge our souerayne lord and his heires, as by his highnes, or by his or their counceyl shalbe ordered and adiudged in that behalfe. And if any suche offender or offenders, at any tyme or tymes after the said conuiccion or attinder so had, do esteemles contempne, or contemptuously refuse deny or abstaine to be confessed, or to be communicate in manner and fourme aboue wyitten, and be therof duely convicted or attainted by the lawes vnder wyitten: that than euery suche offence shall be deemed and adiudged felony, and the offendour or offendours therein shall suffer paynes of deathe, and lose and forsaite all his and their goodes landes and tenementes as in cases of felony.

And for full and effectuell execution of the premises befoze deuised, ordeyned and enacted by this acte. Be it furthermoze enacted by the auctoritee of this present parliament, that immediatly after the said. xii. dayes of July next coming, sundry commissions shall be made, from tyme to tyme, in to euery shire of this realme, and wailes, and in and to suche other places within the kynges dominions, as shall please his maiesty, to be directed to the archebyschop or byshop of the diocesse, and to his chancellour or commissary, and to suche other persons, as shalbe named by his highnes, or by suche other as his maiesty at his pleasure shall appoynt to name the same: whiche archebyschop or byshop, his chancellour or commissary, and other persons so to be named, or thye of them at the least, wherof the archebyschop or byshop, or his chancellour or commissary to be one, shall holde and kepe their sessions within the limittes of their commission foure seuerall tymes of the yere at the leaste, or oftener, if they shall thinke it expediente by theyr discrecions, and shall haue power and auctoritee, by vertue of this act, and their said commission, as wel to take informacion and accusation by the othes and depositions of two able and lausful persons at the least, as to enquire by the othes of xii. men, of all and singular the heresies, felonies contemptes, and other offences aboue wyitten, committed done or perpetrate within the limittes of their commission. And that euery such accusation, or informacion cōteining the matter names surnames & dwelling places of the offenders, & the day yere place and county, whan and wherin their offences were comitted, shalbe of as good force & effecte in the lawe, as if the matter

therin conteyned had bene presented by verdyte of. xii. men.

And neuerthelesse it is further enacted, that euery of the saied archbys-
shops and bishops, and euery of their chancellours commissaries arch-
deacons and other ordinaries, hauing any peculiar ecclesiasticall iurisdi-
ccion within this realme oꝛ in wales, oꝛ in any other the kynges domini-
ons, shall haue full power and auctoritee, by vertue of this acte, as well to
enquer in their visitacions and Semis as there & els where within their
iurisdiccions, at any other tyme oꝛ place, to take accusacions and infor-
macions, as is aforesaid, of the heresies felonies contemptes and offences
aboue mencioned, done committed oꝛ perpetrate within the lymittes of
their iurisdiction & auctoritees. And that euery suche accusacions infor-
macion and presentment, so taken oꝛ had as is aforesaid, shall be of as
good force and effect, as if the matier therein conteyned, had bene presen-
ted befoze the iustices of peace in their sessions. And alsoo that iustices of
peace in their sessions, and euery stewart vndersteward and deputie of the
ward, of any lete oꝛ lawedaye, in their lete oꝛ lawdays shall haue lyke po-
wer and auctoritee by vertu of this act, to enquire by the othes of. xii. law-
full men, of al and singular the heresies felonies contemptes and other of-
fences aboue witten done perpetrate oꝛ committed within the lymittes of
their commissions and auctorities.

And it is also enacted by the auctoritee aforesaid, that euery suche per-
sone oꝛ persones afoze whome any presentement infor-
macion shall be made & taken, as is aforesaid, shall examine the accusours,
what other wytnes were by and presente at þe tyme of doyng and commit-
tyng of the offence, whereof the infor-
macion accusacion oꝛ presentement
shall be made: and howe manye other than the accusours haue knowlege
therof. And shall haue power and auctoritee to bynde by recognisaunce: to
be taken afoze them, as well þe saied accusours, as all suche other persons,
whome the same accusours shall declare to haue knowlege of the offences
by theym presented oꝛ infor-
med, euery of them in. v. li. to the kynges out-
soyeraigne lord, to appeare befoze the commissioners, afoze whome the
offendour oꝛ offendours shall be tried, at the daye of the triall of suche offen-
dours. And that al and singular inditementes presentmentes accusacions
infor-
macions and recognisaunces, taken and had as is aforesaid, with-
in. xx. dayes next after the takyng of the same, shall be certified in due forme
by wrytyng vpon parchment, by the taker oꝛ takers thereof, vnder his oꝛ
their scales vnto any one of the sayd commissioners to be appoynted as is
aforesaid within the lymittes of whose commission, the heresies felony-
es contemptes and offences, whereof any suche presentement inditemente
infor-
macion oꝛ accusacion shall be taken oꝛ had, as is aboue witten, shall
be committed done and perpetrat. And if any person oꝛ persons, which here-
after shall happen to take any suche accusacion infor-
macion presentement
oꝛ recognisaunces as is abouesaid, do make defalte of the certificat ther-
of, contrary to the fourme aboue reherfed: that than euery person and per-
sons,

sons so offendynge, shall forsaite to our soueraygne lord the kynge for e-
uery suche defaulte. x. li.

And it is further enacted by the auctoritee aboue saied, that the saied
commissioners, or thye of them at the leaste, as is aforesaid, by vertue of
this act and their commission, shall haue full power and auctoritee, to make
lyke processe agaynst euery person or persones, indited presented or accu-
sed, in forme as is aboue remembred, as is used & accustomed in cases of fe-
lony, & that as well within the limites of their commission, as in to all o-
ther shires and places of the realme waies and other the kynges domini-
ons, as well within lyberties as without: and the same processe to be good
and effectuell in the lawe as in cases of felony: And vpon the apparance of
any of the offendours, shall haue full power and auctoritee, by vertue of
this acte, and the saied commission, to here and determyne the foresaid he-
reses felonies contemptes and other offences, accoꝝdyng to the lawes of
of this realme, and the effectes of this acte.

And it is also enacted, by the auctoritee aboue saied that euery of the
saied commissioners, vppon any suche accusation presentment or informa-
tion, shall endeuour hym selfe effectually, without affection dyed or corrup-
cion to appꝛehende & take the offendours: & after the appꝛehencion of any
suche offender or offenders, shall haue full power and auctoritee to commit
them to warde. And that the saied commissioners, or two of them at the least,
shall haue full power and auctoritee, to let any person or persons so accu-
sed or presented, vpon sufficient sureties by their discrecions, to baile, for
their apparance to be tried accoꝝdyng to the tenour fourme and effect of
this acte.

And further it is enacted by the auctoritee aboue saied, that if any per-
sone or persones, which hereafter shall be named and assigned, to be com-
missioner or commissioners, as is aboue saied, be accused, indited, or presen-
ted of or for any the offences aboue wyitten, that than all and euery suche
commissioner or commissioners, so accused indited and presented, shall be ex-
amined, put to answer, and tried of and vpon any such offence, accoꝝdyng
to the tenour and effecte of this acte, befoꝝe such other person or persons, as
it shall please the kynges highnes to name assigne and appoynt by his gra-
tis commission, to here and determyne the same.

And it is further enacted, by the auctoritee abouesaid, that no persone
nor persons, which at any tyme hereafter, shall be accused indited or presen-
ted, as is abouesaid, shall be admitted to the chalenge of any person or per-
sones, which shall be empanelled for the triall of his or theyr offence for any
matter or cause, other than for malice or enmitte, which chalenge shall forth-
with be tried in lyke maner as other chalenges be vsed to be tried in cases of
felony.

And it is further enacted by the auctoritee aboue saied, that all foryne
plees, triable by the countrey, which at any tyme hereafter shall be pleaded
by any person or persons hereafter to be arraigned or put to answer vpon
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any accusacion inditeiment or presentment, of or for any of the offences aboue specified, or of or for any of them: shalbe tried before the same commissioners, afoze whome such person or persons shalbe arraigned or put to answer, and by the iurours that shall trie the said offence or offences, without any further respecte or delay.

¶ And it is further enacted by the auctoritee abovesaid, that all mayors sheriffes stewards bailiffes of liberties, gaolers, and other officers and ministers, of what name degree or condicion so euer they bee, and euery of them shall from time to time truly and diligently receiue and serue al & al maner the proces preceptes and commandementes to them or any of them by the said commissioners or any of them to be made gyuen or dyrected, touchyng or concernyng the premisses, or any partell therof, and shall also from tyme to tyme be obedient and attendaunte vnto the said commissioners for the tyme beyng, for the due execution of this present acte, or of any thyng therein conteyned.

¶ And it is also enacted, that euery persone, whiche shall be named to bee commissioner in the said commission, after that he hath knowledge therof, shall effectually put his diligence and attendance in and about the execution of the said commission: And before that he shall take vppon hym the execution of the same commission, shall take a corporalle othe before the lord Chauncellour of Englande for the tyme beyng, or before hym or them, to whome, the said lord Chauncellour shall directe the kynges writ of *Dedimus potestatem*, to take the same. The tenour of which othe hereafter enseweth.

¶ Ye shall swere, that ye to your cunnynge wytte and power shall truly and indifferently execute the auctoritee to you giuen by the kynges commission, made for correction of heretikes and other offenders, mencioned in the same commission, without any fauour affection corrupcion dyed or mallice to be doone to any person or persons, as God you helpe, and al saintes.

¶ And in case that any of the said persones named to bee commissioners refuse to take the said othe, or wilfully absent or aloigne hym selfe from the takynge of the said othe: than euery suche persone so offendyng, and the same offence extreted or certified into the kynges eschequer by the said lord chauncellour, or by hym or them, to whome any suche writte of *Dedimus potestatem*, as is aforesaid, shal be directed, shal forsaite and lose to our said soueraigne lord the kyng, for euery tyme so offendynge, fyue markes of lafull money.

¶ And it is also enacted by the auctoritee abovesaid, that the said commissioners and euery of theym shall from tyme to tyme haue fulle power and auctoritee, by vertue of this act, to take in to his or their keepyng and possession, all and all maner of booke, whiche bene and hath bene or hereafter shalbe set forth redde or declared within this realme, or other the kynges dominions, wherein is or bene conteyned or comprised any clause article matter or sentence, repugnant or contrary to the tenour forme or effecte of this present

present acte, or any of the articles conteyned in the same: And the said commissioners, or thye of them at the least, to bourn or otherwyle destroy the said booke or any parte of them, as vnto the said commissioners, or vnto thye of them at the least, shalbe thought expedient by their discretions.

And it is also enacted by the auctoritee abovesaid, that every person vicar curate or parish priest of every parische church within this realme, or other the kynges dominions or his or their deputy, vpon the sonday next after the first day of September next ensuyng, and so from thensforth ones in every quarter of the yere at the least, shal openly playnly and distinctly rede this present acte in the parische church, where he is person vicar curate parische priest or deputy, vnto his or theyr parishes than assembled together, to here diuine seruice. And that every suche persone vicar curate or parische priest, making default of redyng this acte, contrary to the fourme abovesaid, shal forfeite vnto our said soueraygne lord, his heires or successours, for every suche defaulte, xl. s. sterlyng. Sauyng to all and singular person and persons, bodieys polityke and corporate, their heires and successours, and to the heires and successours of every of them, (other than all and singular suche person and persons, that shalbe hereafter conuicted or atteynted of or for any of the offences or contempes aboue specified, their heires and successours, and the heires and successours of every of them) all such ryght tyle clayme interest entre possession rentes reuercions fees annuities commons offices profits and demaundes what so euer, as they or any of them haue, or than at the tyme of the said conuiction or atteinder had shal haue of in or to any honours castels lordships manours landes tenementes libertie franchises aduousons & other hereditamentes, whiche any suche person or persons, beyng so conuicted or atteynted, as is abovesaid, had or were intituled to haue at the tyme of their offence or offences committed, or at any tyme after: and that in as ample maner fourme and condition, to all intentes constructions and purposes, as if this act hadde neuer be had nor made, any thyng conteined in this acte to the contrary in any wise not withstaundyng.

Provided allwape, that the lordes shal not haue ne clayme anye escheates of any offendour or offendours, that shalbe iudged to be burned by auctoritee of this acte.

And because dispucions and doubttes mighte perhappes ryse here after vpon these wordes in this act, that is to saie, Advisedly made to God, Be it therfore provided and enacted, by auctoritee abovesaid, that these wordes in the acte, that is to saie, Advisedly made to God, for bowes of chastitee or wydowhed, shalbe al onely taken expounded & interpreted, to bynde suche person or persons, and none other (sauyng priestes) to & by the same, which at the tyme of any of their so bowyng (beyng thereto admitted) were or shalbe of the age of .xxi. yeres or aboue, and then dyd or do consent submit theym selfe or condescende to the same, and continue or continued in ob-

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seruation of it any whyle after: Oneles any suche person or persons do or
can duely proue any vnlawfull coercion or compulsion done to them or a-
ny of them for making of any suche vowe.

God saue the kyng.

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